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NOTIFICATION No. 1 of 1940

Registration of British Subjects for the year 1940

The attention of British subjects resident in Shanghai is directed to the provisions of Article 215 of the China Order-in-Council, 1925 which provides for the compulsory annual registration of all British subjects during the month of January. Personal attendance is only necessary (1) in cases of original registration, (2) when the applicant is not in possession of a passport, or (3) when any passport service in addition to registration is required (e.g., renewal of passport, addition of names of children, endorsements for travel, etc.).

Registration will commence on January 4, and British subjects are requested either to present their passports personally, or to send them by a responsible British subject to the Passport Office of this Consulate-General between the hours of 9 a.m.-12 noon and 2 p.m.-4 p.m., in order that the endorsement of registration may be made thereon.

Attention is drawn to the irregularity of entrusting British passports to any person not of British nationality, **and in no circumstances should these documents be transmitted by chit book.**

HERBERT PHILLIPS,
Consul-General.

British Consulate-General,
Shanghai, December 30, 1939. 10066

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the estate of Clement Pedersen Berge, a Norwegian subject, who died in Shanghai on the 24th of December 1939, are hereby requested to send in particulars thereof in writing to the Norwegian Consulate General, 2, Peking Road, Shanghai, on or before March 29, 1940. Any claim received after this date will be considered null and void.

Any persons indebted to the said estate should make payment to this Consulate General within the afore said time-limit.

Royal Norwegian Consulate General,
Shanghai, December 29, 1939.

T. KNUDTZON,
Consul-General.

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GOVERNMENT BILLS, ETC.

Tenders for Dollars local currency for telegraphic transfer on the War Office, London, up to and for the sum of £5,000 will be received by the Area Paymaster, until 11 a.m. on January 4, 1940.

The tenders to state the total amount (in pounds sterling). No telegraphic transfer will be made for less than £100.

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The right is reserved (1) to accept or reject any or all of the tenders and (2) in case of equality of rate between tenders amounting in all to more than the total sum required, to give preference to any tender received from the Bankers to the Treasury Chest.

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J. S. EYNON,
Major, R.A.P.C.,
Area Paymaster, Shanghai.

Area Pay Office, Shanghai. 10067

NOTICE

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January 1, 1940.

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January 1, 1940.

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To-day's Events

JANUARY

4 S.W.A., French Club, 4
4 A.D.C. 'Busman's Honeymoon', Lyc. 9.15
4 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
4 *Hankow British Concession entered by Communist mob (1927)*

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JANUARY

5 Reel Club, Annual General Meeting and Practice, Cricket Club, 9
5 A.D.C. 'Busman's Honeymoon', Lyc. 9.15
6 A.D.C. 'Busman's Honeymoon,' Lyc. 3
6 A.D.C. 'Busman's Honeymoon,' Lyc. 9.15
7 Municipal Orchestra Concert, Lyc. 5.15
8 Engineering Society Meeting, 5.45
9 A.W.C.: Wm. Blackstone, baritone, 4.45
9 For. Y. Lecture: 'Chinese War Finances and Currency,' by Mr. E. Kann
9 Artist Club, Eastern Theatre, Hongkew 'Nathan the Wise,' by Lessing
9 'Mme. Butterfly,' opera, Lyceum, 9
10 K.D.S. mtg., 1292 Joffre, tea 4.30, bus. 5.15
10 'Mme. Butterfly,' opera, Lyceum, 9
11 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
11 B.W.A. Classical Concert, 5.30
11 'Night in Moulin Rouge' by G. Gilbert, Light Opera, Lyc., 8.45
12 Shanghai Camera Club, Meeting and Lecture, 330 Szechuen Road, 9
13 'Night in Moulin Rouge,' L.O., Lyc., 8.45
14 'Night in Moulin Rouge,' L.O., Lyc., 8.45
15 For. Y. Lecture, "Elementary Photography" by Mr. R. V. Dent, F.R.P.S., F.R.M.S.
16 A.W.C.: Miss Peterson on 'India,' 4.45
17 B. Zakharoff and V. Havsky in a Concert for Two Pianos, Lyc., 9.15
18 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
18 B.W.A. embroidery exhibition by pupils of Mrs. Schoenbek
20 Shanghai Scottish Coy., S.V.C. Silver Jubilee Dinner, S.V.C. Club, 8
20 Grand Operatic Concert, Lisa Robitchek, Ernest Krasso, Lyceum, 9
20 B.W.A. Sports Section Dance, 9
23 A.W.C.: Dr. Gardiner on 'Diet,' 4.45
23 For. Y. Lecture: 'Trans-Ocean Air Communications,' by Mr. F. J. Sanger
25 Cradle bridge/mahjongg, S.I.B.C., 3
30 A.W.C. Bridge and Mahjongg, 3
30 For. Y. Lecture: 'Chinese Religious Heritage by Dr. C. B. Day

FEBRUARY

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3 Ballet Russe, 'Tsar Maiden,' Lyc., 9
4 Ballet Russe, 'Tsar Maiden,' Lyc., 9

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THE KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION.

Shanghai, December 31, 1939. 13230

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JAMES E. FULLAM,
President.

Shanghai, January 1, 1940.

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ERIC MOLLER, SENIOR
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CHINA REALTY COMPANY,
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W. A. ADAMS,
Secretary.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Directors have this day declared an Interim Dividend for the year ending December 31, 1939, at the rate of Two Dollar Cents Local Currency per share to be paid to Shareholders on record on Tuesday, January 16, 1940.

The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from January 10 to January 16, 1940.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
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Shanghai, December 27, 1939.

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Finland's Role: Russian Emigre's View

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—As ever new lands and peoples are brought into the sinister radius of spreading world conflagration, the latter's lurid gleams again play upon a group of people who, after having successively engrossed, fascinated and wearied the fickle attention of the public, have for long years been relegated to a limbo of oblivion and indifference, partly good-natured, partly contemptuous,—people of apparently no specific gravity in the world's affairs and whose sole connection with current events is that the souls of all and the bodies of many among them bear the indelible traces and scars of burns received in this same world conflagration in the early days of its kindling.

I speak of the much-maligned tribe of Russian emigrants dispersed over the globe. As a member of this group now called forth from obscurity by the necessity of taking sides, I feel that the time has come to dot certain "i's." I do not presume to voice a unanimity of sentiment, nor am I the authorized mouthpiece of any emigrant body, but I do firmly trust that the sentiments to which I feel bound to give utterance are echoed by the majority.

We have talked ourselves hoarse in the world's capitals, striving to explain and prove to the "powers that be" the causes of our tribulation, to warn against a similar fate. Yet it is a fact as undeniable as it is deplorable, that the foreign press and public, except for a very insignificant minority, deem us to be reaping our just dues, our retribution at the hands of the people once allegedly oppressed by the ruling classes: we are supposed to be but the victims of the just wrath of the worm that has turned at last! Incredulity, indifference or derision met our efforts to make our enlightened brethren realize that, far from aspiring to the prosperity and happiness of the lower classes, Communism pursued the sole aim of destroying Christian culture and of establishing, on the latter's ruins, the slavery of the world's peoples under the dictatorship of a handful of maniacs. Ah, had our voice been heeded in those days much life and property could h.. been spared! But the viper was allowed to grow unmolested to maturity and unchallenged power, which to this day misleads many, including Russian emigrants themselves! The delusion seems to be growing, even among these, that the Soviet Government has by the momentum of historic evolution, drifted into the role of successor of Imperial Russia, has as it were stepped into the latter's shoes to continue its sovereign policy conducive to national greatness.

Yet there exists an infallible criterion whereby it may be discerned beyond a doubt whether an act by or movement among any group of Russians be an act prompted by the spirit of nationalism or a racket of the Comintern, and I would here give the respective earmarks of these two sources.

To do so, I must cast a glance in retrospect over Russia's history. In the drama enacted throughout the ages on the stage of the world, each nation has its individual role and mission allotted to it by the Great Playwright, and the players may not improvise cues with impunity; any deviation from the original plan leads to disaster. The historic mission of Russia has been unusually pronounced: early in her history as a national unit, it fell to her lot to be, as it were, the glands of Europe, neutralizing the shock of successive invasions from the East and absorbing the insidious toxins of infidel domination. Whenever Asia threatened to engulf Western civilization, Russia rose to the occasion, until the repeated effort crystallized in the national consciousness into a sense of Russia's being the outpost of Christendom and champion of the Christian faith of her personifying the Cross as opposed to the encroaching crescent. All her wars were waged practically under these auspices, in defence of some Christian ideal or oppressed Christian minority. Her warriors were inspired, her wars victorious and she flourished. The subordination of the sword to the cross found expression in the fact that all regimental colours had the appearance of religious banners—bore crosses and sacred images.

This noble ideal was first betrayed in the unnecessary Russo-Japanese War, the first of its kind in the history of Russia—an economic venture, not to say adventure, in the Far East, prompted by none save sordid motives of expansion. That first unsuccessful and—it must be avowed—ignominious war was the thin end of the wedge, the first step in Russia's downfall: in its wake came the first revolution. The moral strength of the country was sapped and the dark conspiracy afoot in the world utilized the moment to prepare the ultimate decline. Subsequent defeats were but logical milestones on the headlong course downhill, the fatal inertia of that first apostasy from the national tradition of drawing the sword only in a noble cause.

The tragic contradiction has now reached its apex in the present conflict between Soviet and Finnish troops, wherein actually abstract ideas have come to grips: the national ideal and the international, to use a euphemism for anti-national or, for that matter, if the idea be logically pursued, the anti-everything, the great negation, the ultimate void and chaos. The shocking tragedy lies in the fact that Russian hands are being duped or coerced into wielding Russian bayonets to enforce a profoundly anti-Russian—because anti-Christian and anti-human—policy and idea, under the auspices of the Red Star standing for all these things.

I cannot help feeling that at this juncture we Russians owe it to the other nations to give an account of ourselves, of our creed and aspirations, and I would go on record as disassociating myself most emphatically, as a White Russian, from the cause and interests defended by Soviet arms which, even in the hands of Russian soldiers, can never be identified with Russian arms raised in defence of the Russian national cause and interests. The simple formula furnishing the key to the situation is, I should say: the Russian national ideal can only be symbolized by the Cross, whereas nothing permanently or temporarily taking the Red Star as its emblem can be said to be national! The sign is as sure and immutable as a dogma and there can be no two interpretations, no compromise, nor can any stratagems or tricks of the Comintern camouflage the basic truth! The sympathies of all sincere and consistent White Russians can and must therefore be exclusively and wholly on the side of heroic Finland, now invested with the grandeur of a Pan-European Thermopylae, for, undaunted by the hissing of the Communist hydra, she dares face the deadly fangs not only in defence of her own national liberty and honour, but on behalf of the collective culture and civilization of all Christendom whose triumph or wane, as antithesis to the Red Star, is the issue at stake. All success and victory, then, to intrepid Finland!

Basil von Ulrich.

Shanghai, Jan. 3.

Unworthy Practice: Prescriptions Rebate

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—According to recent news appearing in the Chinese press, some leading Chinese physicians at Shanghai have addressed a circular letter to the Chinese dispensaries, asking that, beginning from January 1, 1940, the unworthy practice of "prescriptions rebate" should be stopped and that whatever amount which was previously added to the cost of prescriptions and went to enrich the physicians should not be so added any more at the expense of the patients.

To anyone who is not accustomed to the ways of this world, such a revelation from the physicians may come as a real shock. To think that the eminent physician to whom you go for treatment should get from you not only his legitimate professional fee, but also some secret profit out of the prescription which you fill at the dispensaries! You are already unfortunate in suffering from sickness. What treachery to impose on you the further hardship of squeeze! It seems the dispensaries and the physicians are co-operating to cheat you. Are they not criminals in the real sense of the word?

Alas, the world is far from perfect. Dark and corrupt ways still abound to the shame of all of us. We see terrible wars raging in China and in Europe, showing unmistakably that selfishness and injustice and hypocrisy still reign everywhere, in spite of the professed belief by the statesmen of all nations in peace, truth and freedom. If we are really sincere, we shall see that, in more ways than one, we too are sinners and criminals. The dispensaries and physicians are to blame; but let us not blame them alone. Who are we that we dare to cast the first stone?

We must rather call the outspoken physicians brave, honest men who fear God and are sincere in repentance. As I understand it, the unworthy practice began with certain dispensaries who sought to gain more prescription business by enlisting the support of the physicians. The dispensaries were the original tempters; the physicians fell victims to that temptation. The corrupt environment once built up, it is most difficult for any individual physician or any individual dispensary to combat it, nay, even to stand aloof from it. Once you fall a prey to evil, too often you become its reluctant slave, for you are afraid that any revelation of that evil will discredit you and ruin you. It takes very high moral courage not to hide that evil within you, but to reveal it to the world, facing criticism and condemnation in so doing. By revealing the evil, you go a long way in uprooting it, for the force of evil is overwhelmingly strong only when it is hidden in the darkness.

Congratulations are due therefore to the honest physicians who are not afraid to reveal their own evil practice. I understand some of these physicians used to obtain annually hundreds or even thousands of dollars from the prescriptions rebate. For the sake of moral principle and justice, they now renounce all that sordid income. I hope the dispensaries will co-operate by giving up altogether the notorious idea of bribing others, be they physicians or purchasing agents from hospitals or other public institutions. We must condemn equally the one who bribes and the one who accepts the bribery. An honest business man should seek profit by fair means; he should never resort to the notorious practice of bribing others.

F. D. Z.

Shanghai, Jan. 3.

A Query to Bankers: Endorsements on Cheques

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—I should feel greatly obliged if the following query could be answered by some of your readers as it has been lately the subject of discussions and is of general interest:

"A Mr. Tom has a current account with the A Bank. He issues a cheque for say, $200, in favour of a Mr. Dick who is passing through Shanghai and is not a resident here; the said cheque payable at the aforesaid A Bank.

Mr. Dick has no time to go to the Bank and cashes the cheque through a friend, Harry, who has his own account at a Bank B. He endorses the cheque in favour of Harry.

Harry signs the cheque and sends it to his Bank B so that it may be credited to his account.

Let it be understood that the cheque is properly drafted, that Bank A has sufficient funds, and that all signatures are well and regularly endorsed.

Now this is what happens: Bank B in sending Tom's cheque to Tom's Bank, has guaranteed Harry's endorsement, which is natural. Bank B, of course does not know Mr. Dick, the first payee who endorsed the cheque in favour of Harry, and has not to guarantee the signature or identity of a man whom Bank B ignores entirely.

In my opinion, all that Bank B is bound to do is to guarantee the endorsement of its own client Harry.

However the cheque is returned by Bank A which refuses to pay Tom's cheque if Bank B does not guarantee also Dick's endorsement.

Is that procedure regular? Is not a cheque an instrument which may bear several endorsements of which only one, the last one, has to be guaranteed by the last payee's Bank.

How can a Bank guarantee the endorsement of intermediate payees who have ceased to exist as far as both Banks are concerned and how can Bank A (the payer Tom's Bank) request Bank B to guarantee the endorsement of all the payees through whose hands the cheque has passed before reaching its final destination?

All bills of payment—and a cheque is a bill of payment like any negotiable instrument—pass often through several hands and even through several countries. How can Bank A on which the bill or cheque is drawn, refuse to pay the said document unless all the intermediate endorsements and signatures are guaranteed by Bank B where the cheque in question is finally credited to the last beneficiary and payee? Especially when it is materially impossible to do so?

R. A.

Shanghai, Jan. 2.

Panay X'mas Fund: A Generous Response

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—I am enclosing a list of the names of those persons who donated to the "Panay X'mas Fund." We are taking this means of thanking all those who donated to this fund for Chinese Orphans.

Panay X'mas Fund

2	Anonymous contributions $200.00 ..... Total	$400
1	Anonymous contribution 47.00	47
1	Bal. from former U.S.S. Panay Memorial Ass. American World War Veterans	5
1	Contribution Leon Anderson	30
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	Mr. Bird	5
	A. L. Biggs	6
	Mr. and Mrs. Pennison	5
	H. E. Clark	5
	New Ritz	5
	"Pop" F. W. Daly	100
	L. R. Ramsey	5
	W. D. James	5
	George's Bar	13

The fund has exceeded $1,000 and quickly and generously donated the last few days before X'mas. The funds have now been alloted to deserving orphan homes. A communication will shortly be issued to all English language newspapers in regard to the distribution of funds.

It has been suggested by friends of those who initiated the "Panay X'mas Fund," the U. S. S. Panay Memorial Association and friends, to organize to carry on welfare work on behalf of neglected children in Shanghai.

Leon Anderson,
Actg. Asst. Secretary,
Panay X'mas Fund.

Shanghai, Jan. 2.

MR. J.D. GREENWAY AS LORD PETER WINSEY
MR. SMITH WRIGHT AS ARNOLD DIXON
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MR. D. MACALISTER AS FRANK CRUTCHLEY
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The A.D.C.—"Busman's Honeymoon"

German Soldier's Food Supply

Value of Soya Bean; Boneless Meat and Polish Bacon

The "Frankfurter Zeitung" quotes an official report on the feeding of the German soldier. The soldier's rations, says the report, are calculated on the same scientific basis as a worker's, of comparable age and weight doing comparable work. But there can be "no comparison between the worker even in the heaviest work and the soldier at the front. This must be borne in mind in calculating the food elements, particularly meat."

Bread: The army [black] bread, customary for decades, forms the basis; in circumstances which make it unobtainable an iron ration of Army biscuits [of the ryvita type] is given out.

Meat: Importance is attached above all to the supply of fresh meat. Recent experiments in the supply of packets of boneless meat, frozen hard in the so-called Bireseye process, have given satisfactory results. A special place continues to be taken by canned meat—for instance, pork in its own juice.

Vegetables: Fresh vegetables and fresh potatoes are of particular importance. They assure the supply of vitamins and mineral salts. The popular sauerkraut, for instance, is rich in vitamins. Lately vegetables have been so dried, by gentle and constant heat, that most of the vitamins are retained. Reinforcements at the front can only be given dried vegetables, as all useless weight, especially water content, must be avoided. Thus pulse [beans, lentils, dried peas, etc.] and rice are the vegetables of the troops in an advance.

The iron ration contains no vegetables (it consists of 200 grammes of canned meat and 250 grammes of Army biscuits). Tins containing meat and vegetables ready cooked (for instance, pork with sauerkraut and potatoes) are primarily for the mountain and armoured troops and such units as cannot reach the field kitchens.

Fats: The soldier's principal fat is butter; otherwise he receives lard or margarine.

Evening meal: For the evening meal the issues include canned liver sausages and black pudding, corned beef, smoked meat, bacon, such sausages as keep well, hard cheese, soft cheese in packets, and in future Polish bacon. Specially good food is available for units subjected to hard conditions—for example, tinned tongues or fresh pigs' trotters.

Drinks: The usual drink is coffee mixture; under exacting conditions and in cold weather there is also tea. A substitute for bean coffee is being prepared from rye and barley coffee, with an admixture of synthetic caffeine. For drinking on the march there is also citric acid with effervescent salts.

Soya bean: The soya bean has for time past been included in the rations in the form of flour. It can be made into vegetable rissoles to replace meat. Its albumen and lecithin content, and its usefulness in cases of great physical exhaustion, make it a food of great importance. An American newspaper has gone so far as to say that Germany won the war in Poland on the soya bean; for the German Army would have been unable to march so quickly without it.

Tobacco: The soldier has a free tobacco ration. It helps to make up for a good deal of the soldier's shortages at the front.

Preparation: A special field cookery book has been issued. It should be possible to boil, bake, and steam separately in the field kitchen, in order to lose as little as can be helped of the food value of the meals. This is expected to be achieved before long by a relatively small rearrangement of the field kitchen. But after all the tastiness of the food depends on the cleverness of the cook.

Bomb Falls Just Inside Norwegian Territory

Oslo, Jan. 3.

Following investigation, the military authorities here have decided that possibly one bomb fell just inside the Norwegian frontier during the recent Soviet-Finnish fighting.—Reuter.

Restricting War Risk Circulars

The text of the Restriction of Advertisement (War Risks Insurance) Bill was issued recently. As foreshadowed in the Weir Report, the Government seeks to prohibit circularizing or publication of advertisements by the private property war-risks concerns, states the "Financial News."

The Government's point of view, as set out in the official statement accompanying the Weir Report, is that the sums which could be collected by this means are so small relatively to the enormous risks involved that for the promoters of such schemes to hold out to the public that they are able to provide effective compensation might be misleading.

On the other hand, it is argued that even though it may not be possible to cover damage in full, the subscribers to such pools cannot lose in any way (except to the extent of the inevitable expenses of management) and that any form of protection at all is an advance upon the inadequate proposals put forward by the Government.

Main Provisions

The principal section of the Bill provides that, subject to certain provisions, a person who

(A) Distributes or causes to be distributed any circulars containing—(1) Any invitation to persons to insure any property in the United Kingdom in which they are interested against any war risks, or (2) any information calculated to lead to the recipient of the information insuring any property in the United Kingdom in which he is interested against any war risks; or

(B) Has in his possession for the purpose of distribution any circulars of such a nature as to show that the object or principal object of distributing them would be to communicate such an invitation or such information as aforesaid; or

(C) Causes or permits any advertisement to appear which contains such an invitation or such information as aforesaid, shall, unless permission for the distribution of the circular or the appearance of the advertisement has been granted by the Board of Trade and any conditions imposed by the Board of Trade in relation thereto have been complied with, be guilty of an offence.

Nothing in this section would render unlawful anything done with a view to inducing persons to enter into any contract of insurance, if the Minister of Shipping could lawfully re-insure the person liable under that contract.

In addition to imposing conditions regarding the distribution or appearance of circulars or advertisements, where permission has been granted, the Board of Trade may specify requirements as to the carrying on of the applicant's business.

Any person committing an offence under the Act would be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding £200 or to imprisonment for not more than three months, or both; on conviction on indictment to a fine, or imprisonment not exceeding two years, or both.

No prosecution would be instituted without the consent of the Board of Trade.

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Influx of Chinese Into Canton

Many Persons Returning; Destitutes Not Allowed

Canton, Jan. 2.

With the inauguration of weekly sailings by foreign vessels from Hongkong and Macao, and bi-weekly trips by Japanese Government chartered vessels from Hongkong, the population in Canton has shown a further increase.

In order not to have too many destitutes in the city, the Japanese authorities have issued regulations that all persons arriving in Canton from Hongkong and Macao must have in their possession the sum of HK$20 or C$80.

Meanwhile, the searching of foreign arrivals has shown an improvement. Formerly, contents of pockets and handbags were often turned out for examination, but now the Japanese only ascertain that no arms are carried. The searching of luggage is no worse than a normal Customs' examination.—Reuter.

France Enters New Year With Confidence

Paris, Jan. 1.

Newspapers here emphasize that France has entered the New Year with absolute certainty of an Allied victory. "Le Matin" declares: "Morally our enemies are condemned. Politically the war is won. There remains the military victory to be won."

"Le Figaro" assures the Poles, Finns, Czechoslovaks and Austrians that the hour of Germany's punishment will come.—Reuter.

Seventy Years Ago

From the "North-China Daily News," of January 4, 1870

We have received a copy of the second annual report of the Hongkew Hospital and Dispensary for Chinese, which was established 1868, under the auspices of the Rev. E. H. Thompson and of Dr. Macgowan, but which has now passed under the management of the Rev. R. Nelson, and under the professional care of Drs. Thin and Henderson. We are glad to see that the hospital has flourished during the year. New buildings have been erected at a cost of $728. Including this expense, the outlay has been $1,532 against an income of $1,520, leaving a deficit of $12. A vast deal of relief, both surgical and medical, has been afforded to applicants.

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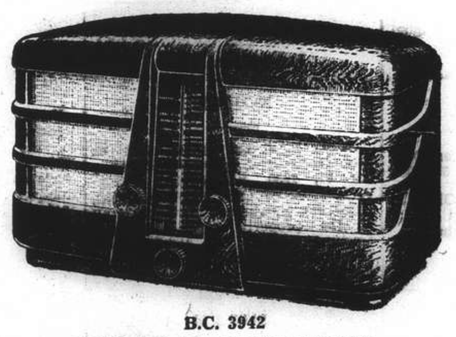
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Current Films

CATHAY.—"Intermezzo."—The deeply moving story of a great musician's side-step from the primrose path, built round the theme that Genius writes its own moral code, Starring, Leslie Howard—introducing Ingrid Bergman—and Edna Best, John Halliday, Cecil Kellaway, Enid Bennett and Ann Todd. Opens today.

METROPOL.—"The Old Maid." — A heart-stirring tale of lifelong enmity between sisters-in-law over the dead soldier both had loved but neither married and of their fight for the affection of the baby the "Old Maid" had borne him. Starring Bette Davis and Miriam Hopkins, with George Brent, Jane Brayan, Donald Crisp and Louise Fazenda. Opens today.

GRAND.—"Angels with Dirty Faces."—Pulse-pounding excitement in the way of gangster dramas that revolves round a big time racketeer and a bunch of kids who make him their hero until he turns "yellow" on the way to the electric chair. Starring James Cagney and Pat O'Brien, with The "Dead End" Kids, Ann Sheridan and George Bancroft.

ROXY.—"The Wizard of Oz."—The greatest technicolour show-world miracle since "Snow White." The book that 80 millions read. The play 941 cities of America saw. The world's most imaginative adventure—painted with a rainbow—and glorified with spectacle, heart-throb, laughter, beautiful girls and song. Starring Judy Garland with Ray Bolger, Jack Haley and Frank Morgan.

NANKING.—"The Real Glory."—Stirring action drama of love, courage, and the birth of a new and vigorous nation, staged at a lonely American outpost on the edge of the jungle. Starring Gary Cooper, With Andres Leeds, David Niven, and Reginald Owen.

PARIS.—"Nothing Sacred."—Hilarious antics with two favourite stars in technicolour. With Carole Lombard and Fredric March.

CAPITOL.—"Baroness and the Butler." —Sparkling with witty humour and gay sophistication. With William Powell, Annabella, Helen Westley and Henry Stephenson.

GOLDEN GATE.—"The Adventures of Robin Hood."—The deathless romance that has thrilled the world for centuries comes again with an ideal cast in the blaze of technicolour. With Errol Flynn, Olivia de Havilland Basil Rathbone and Claude Rains.

UPTOWN.—"Blockheads."—Laurel and Hardy, (with Patricia Ellis, Minna Gombell, Billy Gilbert and James Finlayson—1,000 laughs by the world's favourite comedy team.

RIALTO. — "King of Alcatraz." — Thrills, adventure, punch-packed, action drama with Gail Patrick, Lloyd Nolan and J. Carroll Naish.

Films Coming

"Clouds Over Europe."—Highly polished spy melodrama, telling the sensational story of a fight to gain possession of Britain's air secrets and packed with romance, comedy and thrills. Starring Laurence Olivier, with Ralph Richardson, Valerie Hobson, George Curzon, George Merritt and Gus McNaughton. Coming to the **GRAND.**

"Rio." — Exotic tale of love, hate and desperate adventure, set against the tropic background of a penal colony and a South American paradise. Starring Basil Rathbone and Victor McLaglen, with Sigrid Gurie. Robert Cummings Leo Carrillo, Billy Gilbert and Irving Bacon. Coming to the **NANKING.**

"The Women." — 135 women with nothing on their minds but men as they kiss, coo, scratch and bite to hold a man or snatch a man. With Norma Shearer, Joan Crawford and Rosalind Russell topping one of the most spectacular casts of film celebrities ever gathered together for one motion picture. Coming to the **ROXY.**

"Tower of London."—Colourful and exciting drama of England in the age of Richard Crookback, built around the grim personality of the Public Executioner at the Tower and introducing all the romance and adventure of the most troubled period in English history. Starring Basil Rathbone, with Boris Karloff, Barbara O'Neil, Ian Hunter, Vincent Price, Nan Grey, John Sutton and Leo G. Carroll. Coming to the **NANKING.**

"First Love."—Cinderella story of an orphan who is taken in by rich relatives and treated very much as a servant until she attracts the attention of the wealthy young man her snooty socialite cousin has set her heart on winning. The loss of a silk slipper at a ball gives the Cinderella touch for a happy ending. Starring Deanna Durbin, with Helen Parrish, Robert Stack, Eugene Pallette, Lewis Howard, Leatrice Joy and June Storey. Coming to the **NANKING.**

"Frontier Marshal."—Another colourful character from the past comes to the screen in Wyatt Earp, the famous Frontier Marshal, who brought the law to Tombstone at the end of his six-gun and stayed alive because no one ever beat him to the draw. Starring Randolph Scott and Nancy Kelly with Cesar Romero, Bennie Barnes, John Carradine, and Edward Norris. Soon at the **GRAND.**

"Stanley and Livingstone."—The thrilling and largely authentic story of Henry M. Stanley's expedition to darkest Africa in quest of the famous missionary and explorer, David Livingstone, missing and given up for dead. Starring Spencer Tracy, Richard Greene and Nancy Kelly, with Walter Brennan, Charles Coburn, Henry Hull and Sir Cedric Hardwicke. Coming to the **METROPOL.**

"Broadway Serenade." — A musical cavalcade from songs of the gay Nineties to hit tunes of today. Starring lovely Jeanette MacDonald in a musical drama packed with glorious songs, romance, glamour and spectacle. With Lew Ayres, Ian Hunter and Frank Morgan. Coming to the **ROXY.**

"Second Fiddle."—Six new Irving Berlin song hits, ice tangoes, snow rhumbas and a spectacular ballet on skates form the glittering background for a glamorous romance between Tyrone and Sonja in the most entertaining picture the Norwegian wonder-girl has yet made. Starring Tyrone Power, Sonja Henie, with Rudy Vallee, Edna May Oliver, Mary Healey and Lyle Talbot. Coming to the **METROPOL.**

To Dine and Dance

ARCADIA.—Russian cuisine. Ermoll's orchestra. Floorshow.

BOLERO.—Night Club. Harry Fisher's band.

BRER FOX.—Night club and restaurant. Dinner and dancing every evening. Geza and Gino, Tafet and Schlittner. Floorshow.

CASANOVA.—Gloria Andico's orchestra. Harriet and Roger.

CATHAY HOTEL LOUNGE. — Morning and afternoon tea and cocktails.

CATHAY RESTAURANT. — 8th floor. Luncheon and dinner.

D. D.'s NIGHT CLUB.—Russian and foreign style cuisine. Teddy and Ferry Guzza.

At the Moulin Rouge

Larry Dutch, smart drummer and singer at this popular night club.

DEL MONTE.—Cabaret. Fockler's band. Violet Varden and floorshow.

EVENTAIL.—Night club with floorshow.

FARREN'S.—Fingérut's orchestra. Lilly Flohr, Cherlotte Ette' and Anatoly and Olympia, the Dani Sisters and Fred Merlo.

GAIETY.—Night club. Bob and his five Bandstars. Russian and foreign cuisine. Floorshow.

HUNGARIA.—Night club. Hungarian gypsy music. Hungarian cuisine.

JESSFIELD CLUB.—Night club with E. Boder and S. Havsky and two guitarists.

MASKEE.—Night club. Jones, Ardatoff, Mike and Kamm.

METROPOLE HOTEL.—Grill and dining rooms for business tiffins and other occasions.

MOULIN ROUGE.—Night club. Larry and Steve. Ruff's orchestra.

PALACE HOTEL.—Tea lounge, snack counter and grill room. Dinner dance daily excepting Sundays. Ullstein's orchestra.

PARK HOTEL.—Dancing nightly. Sunday tea dance. Itkis' orchestra. Floorshow.

RENAISSANCE.—Empire night club, Vertinsky.

ROXY.—Night club, Jack, Charley and James.

FROM SHANGHAI FOOTLIGHTS AND FILMS

"The Old Maid"

Owing to popular request, the Metropol Theatre is screening this hit which was so popular before—Bette Davis and Miriam Hopkins take honours—also George Brent and Jane Bryan.

"Clouds Over Europe"

The star of "Wuthering Heights," Laurence Olivier, in the leading role, the Grand Theatre has pleasure in presenting also, Ralph Richardson and Valerie Hobson.

"Rio"

A penal colony and a South American paradise are contrasted in this melodrama which comes to the Nanking soon—with Basil Rathbone, Victor McLaglen and Sigrid Gurie.

"Intermezzo"

The new Swedish star, Ingrid Bergman, today will make her Shanghai debut at the Cathay, while playing opposite is Leslie Howard—others include Edna Best and John Halliday.

French Club Affairs

Saturday will be a busy day at the French Club. The children's much anticipated fancy dress ball will be held in the afternoon from 3 to 6 p.m. besides a really good tea, an attractive floor show in the ballroom will be provided for the younger generation. There will be a Waltz, a Norwegian and a Hungarian dance given by the Misses Jenny, Helen and Dolly.

The evening should see parents and many others at the first Saturday dinner dance of 1940, where the entertainment programme will be as follows:—

"Whipped Cream" .....Ensemble
Siamese Dance .....Suzanne
Cowboy Trio .....Nelson Sisters
Sopak .....Svetlova
Eskimo .....Ensemble

"Life of the Tsar"

The Russian Theatre Club, partly to observe the Russian Christmas and New Year, have chosen dates between the two holidays, to present Glinka's "Life of the Tsar" in the Russian Club. This patriotic motif will be interpreted by Zorich, Makarova, Muntzeff and Speransky, assisted by a symphonic orchestra, directed by Margolinsky.

"Life of the Tsar" will be shown on two nights only, next Wednesday and Thursday.

Slapstick's Successor

Recently Mack Sennett started working for Mr. Darryl F. Zanuck, and in the direction of "Hollywood Cavalcade" showed himself once again as that master of slapstick which he had been well back in the old silent days. There was plenty of slapstick in "Hollywood Cavalcade" with custard pie and all the other unsophisticated appeals for laughter. Audiences laughed so much at this resurrection that Zanuck has asked Mack Sennett to do some more.

So Sennett is planning to make a full-length slapstick comedy, more ambitious than those comedies of the silent days, and probably in a combination of technicolour and black and white. It may be called "Left at the Altar" or "Love in a Pullman Car." One might say that there will be nothing in it for the highbrow, except for the fact that the modern highbrow professes to enjoy slapstick more than anything else, and places an early Chaplin before the most developed art of Lubitsch or Capra.

Farren's Floorshow

Headed by Lilly Flohr, Farren's floorshow constitutes five sets of entertainers, including two doubles and three singles, each of whom appear twice nightly. The latest addition is Fred Merl, whistler, who, with an art of his own and different from the usual, is a smart entertainer.

Supporting groups on the bill are Charlotte Etté, comedy and character dancer; the popular duo, the Dani Sisters, whose extensive repertoire never seems exhausted, and Anatoly and Olympia, character team.

The management indicate that in the near future they will introduce several acts booked abroad and, it may be considered a good bit of showmanship, according to patrons, by Joe Farren, who always is alert for new talent.

Narrow Films Now on Practical Basis

30,000 Outlets Found in Various Groups

Recently the distribution of non-theatrical films has been put on a practical basis. Because of the substantial investment required for 35 mm. projection, the 16 mm. market is booming. It is estimated that there are in excess of 30,000 outlets for the narrow film among women's groups, churches, men's clubs and schools. These outlets have been organized into something akin to theatre circuits, so that pictures can be made for known audiences. Besides encouraging documentaries, it has proved a stimulant for commercial pictures that have had to depend on bribery to get into theatres. Distributors now provide a list of advance bookings which include a wide variety of display rooms typified by the Odd Fellows Hall in Ypsilanti, the basement of the White Front Department Store in South Chicago and the U-Auto-Stop Trailer camp of Sioux City.

According to John Wentworth, former art director of the United Artists advertising department, who entered documentary and business film production a year ago, the 16 mm. product is technically as good as studio-made features. High-quality sound is now provided for the narrow film, and the serious and educational subjects are regarded as attractive entertainment by an audience of at least 5,000,000 that wants something in its pictures besides the boy-meets-girl motif.

Release prints are now made from a master negative. With enlarged distribution these miniature pictures are affording competition to the commercial theatres.

"The Wizard of Oz"

Having met with favour by the New Year holiday cinematic public, this great success, starring Judy Garland, Ray Bolger, Frank Morgan and Jack Haley, is being held over by the Roxy.

"Kid Nightingale"

John Payne and Jane Wyman soon will be co-teamed at the Grand Theatre.

"Night in Moulin Rouge"

With their next production, on Thursday, the Russian Light Opera, in introducing a "Night in Moulin Rouge," will present two new players to the Shanghai stage—Labunskaya and Darova. The former, having played in the capitals of Europe, it is said, and more recently in Riga, comes with the reputation of having acting ability as well as a splendid voice. She will play Suzanna, a Parisienne, who often forgets that she is married. Darova is the company's new soubrette.

Other roles will be taken by Valin, Rosen, Kudinoff and Slobodskoy, and in the second act, beautiful dances are to be interpreted by Scroff and Manjelei and the ballet.

The show will be repeated on January 13 and 14.

Actors Say Movies Smell

The movies? Confidentially, they smell. So say five character actors—J. Edward Bromberg, Eduardo Ciannelli, John Arledge, Paul Fix and Jack Mulhall. They ought to know.

They spent two hours recently diving over, under and through five truckloads of garbage. It was a prison escape scene for "Not Too Narrow, Not Too Deep," and the garbage, said the five, was none too narrow and all too deep.

Production Manager Keith Weeks planned originally to have the studio commissary save its garbage for a couple of days so the prisoners could escape in a home product. But the studio diet had so many coffee grounds and mashed potatoes it was too juicy.

So Weeks combined 20 tons of ribs and thigh bones, purchased from a Los Angeles slaughter house, with fruit peelings and wilted lettuce leaves.

"It may be the top grade of garbage," grumbled Bromberg, "but it still smells."

Brer Fox Night Club

The Cathay Girls, trained and directed by that veteran showman, Tourenin, are presenting nightly five numbers in the Brer Fox, including ensembles, doubles and trios. Dressed in keeping with the theme they interpret the girls never fail to please. Helga, and her accordeon, assists.

The orchestra, consisting of Geza, Gino, Schlittner and Tafet, privide the toe-tickling melodies, as well as accompanying the artistes.

New numbers will be presented tomorrow night.

At the Arcadia

Nick Kniazeff and his ballet head the floorshow at the Arcadia in a programme comprising of ten items. A gypsy group intersperse the more general turns with routines typical of their race. Probably the most outstanding number to the floor show is entitled the "Swing of Tomorrow," six girls in black tights and long tails (red in colour) cavorting over stage and floor. Kniazeff also takes part in presentations.

Revolutionary War Epic Picture

"Drums Along the Mohawk" Stirring Romance With Meed of Indian Raids

Mr. John Ford's version of the Walter D. Edmonds novel of the Mohawk Valley ("Drums Along the Mohawk") during the Revolutionary War years comes off as a stirring romance with its full meed of Indian-raid terror, hearty frontier humour, the resolute spirit of the farmer-pioneers. It is not a complete translation of the book—how could it be without developing into another "Gone With the Wind"?—but most of its folk are there: Gil and Lana Martin, the newlyweds making their home in the wilderness of up-State New York; the rowdy Widow McKlennar, who, sitting stiff as a poker in her featherbed, cussed out the pair of marauding redskins who were setting her house afire; the Rev. Rosenkrantz, whose prayers always carried a scattering of local news and gossip; Blue Back, the friendly Indian; Joe Boleo, Adam Helmer, General Herkimer and the rest.

As Backwards as School-books

Another thing regretted, and this, perhaps, is more important, was that the film did not make clear, except by inference, that most of the Mohawk Valley settlers went through their bloody four years' war with little sense of national destiny, little concern for the rights and wrongs of the Revolution except as it affected their homes and their farms. Being as backward in such matters as school history books have made us, people always had thought of the colonists in terms of Patrick Henry, the Boston Tea Party, the liberty-loving farmers of Lexington and Bunker Hill—sharpshooters all and wise in the ways of Indian fighting.

Fought to Protect Lands

But it wasn't at all like that along the Mohawk, Mr. Edmonds found. Most of the farmers disliked the "Yankee" Continental Congress as much as they disliked the British, if not more; and, although they were not Tories, wanted no part of a revolution. They fought simply to protect their lands, went into action as an ill-trained, badly disciplined rabble and did not realize, until the war was won, that they had been fighting for a flag and a nation.

Mr. Ford's drama might have possessed more value historically, and no less dramatically, had this phase of the scene received a bit more emphasis. But even as it stands, it is a soundly wrought film, with a panel of fine performances by Henny Fonda, Claudette Colbert, Edna May Oliver, Arthur Shields and Eddie Collins, and some of the richest technicolour photography screened to date.

"Madame Butterfly"

Maria Paolo will sing the name role at the Lyceum next week.

Doors Closed on Chaplin Film

Censorship Clamped on Studio; Comedian Will Delineate Dictator

"Chaplin No. 6" is gradually rounding into shape, although it still has a number instead of a title (United Artists is reported to have scotched both "The Dictators" and "The Great Dictator"). Complete censorship has been clamped on the Chaplin studio. Not even his press agent answers the telephone. Charlot has abandoned all pretence about the character he will play. It is Hitler and the locale is Germany, both in a paper-thin disguise. The Jewish question will be brought in, with Chaplin, in the second half of his dual role, playing the Ghetto barber who eventually trims the dictator.

Its cast thus far includes Paulette Goddard as a scrub woman, Henry Daniell as a mock Goering, Jack Oakie as a twin brother to a round-chinned political crony of Charlie's dictator. Several of Chaplin's old slapstick standbys will have bits. It will be, of course, another one-man show. Chaplin's only aide is his brother Sydney, the economical half of the family. Sydney even refused to hire an assistant director, telling one applicant that he and Charlie could direct the extras. In his spare time, he is Charlie's stand-in.

Among the crumbs of information gleaned from the studio are these: The old Chaplin costume remains intact, except for the cane in early sequences....Chaplin has developed a new salute, done with a limp, ZaSu Pittsian hand.....His addresses will be in a gutteral double-talk, one of the few recognizable phrases being bromo seltzer....Chaplin works in fits and starts, but when he starts he is tireless: he chose one of the year's hottest days to film a comedy dance and kept at it until it was right and he was wilted....He is more aloof than ever. An actor, summoned for an interview by the casting director, waited two hours outside the door, afraid to knock, because some one believed Chaplin was inside in conference. The casting director had spent the same two hours on the other side of the door waiting for Chaplin's return from lunch.

"Earl of Chicago"

Considered comparable to "Night Must Fall," Brock Williams's "Earl of Chicago" is being filmed at Metro with Robert Montgomery as star and Richard Thorpe directing. The picture is departing somewhat from the novel, being the psychological study of a gun-shy gangster. Montgomery and Lewis Milestone had planned to unite on the picture, but their views of treatment differed so radically that Montgomery interested Thorpe in the venture. Thorpe had directed "Night Must Fall."

The film is far from routine. For instance, the feminine element has considerable to do with influencing the characters, but the only time a woman is seen is in a single shot, when the silk-encased legs of Gladys Blake are displayed. Miss Blake plays the gangster's moll.

Montgomery was in England with Thorpe, preparing "Busman's Honeymoon," at the outbreak of the war Instead of continuing that picture upon their return to Hollywood, they decided too much of the story depended upon scenes of the English countryside. They were to make "Earl" there, too, but, as it is nearly all interiors, it was easy to transfer it to the Metro lot.

The yarn deals with a gangster who inherits a British title and estate. Edward Arnold, his attorney (or mouthpiece, as the script says), double-crosses him, and Montgomery, who is deathly afraid of guns, kills him. He is tried by his peers in the House of Lords and sentenced to be hanged. He experiences no regeneration and remains a gangster until the end, except for the transformation wrought by his butler, C. Aubrey Smith, who instills in him the philosophy of noblesse oblige.

"Tsar-Maiden"

Lovers of the art of ballet will be interested to learn that the next show to be produced by Le Ballet Russe will be the "Tsar-Maiden," a fantastic ballet, music by Cesare Pugni. This amusing ballet is based on the old Russian legendary fable and promises to reveal a great variety of dancing and comical miming. Everyone who remembers the last year's success of the "Coq d'Or" will be looking forward to this new show of Le Ballet Russe. Four performances of the "Tsar-Maiden" will be given at the Lyceum Theatre on February 1, 3 and 4.

Strong Floor Show

The strong floor show at the Casanova Ballroom is proving popular with guests and is headed by the ballroom dancers, Harriet and Roger. New dances will be presented as from tonight. A batch of new American dance music has been received by Jefferson Andico, business manager of the Casanova orchestra, some of which will be played tonight. The ballroom is open all night and has foreign hostesses only.

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Night Express Gets Close to Mile Record in Main Event

After Leading All The Way Pony Misses Record by Four Fifths of Second; Gabor Renner Has Three Wins

By "The Chaser"

THE record time for the mile came within four fifths of a second of being tied yesterday during the New Year Race meeting when gallant Night Express defeated a classy field of twelve to win the feature event of the day in the fast time of 2.01.4/5. After running his customary race of leading all the way, he came on strongly again when challenged in the last quarter, staving off Frostylight's determined challenge to win by a neck, while Democratic Prince was only a head away third. He led from the word "go" but was closely followed by Frostylight and White Parade while the rest lay handy a couple of lengths away.

The field, still led by Night Express, entered the last quarter in a tight bunch and remained bunched until the winning post—even until the last twenty-five yards—and any one of the twelve starters, with the exception of Woodbridge, might have been the winner. Only one outsider found premier honours during the day and struck with a vengeance, paying $167.80 for a win ticket. The pony was Flyaway which defeated a field of seventeen to win the D class of the Atlantic Handicap. He beat two other outsiders in Athenian Knight, which mount lost to him by a length to take second place, while High Power filled the remaining berth. The winner paid $55.40 for place, while the second pony paid $25.40 and the third $51. Favourites and well fancied ponies ran true to form in the other races.

Riding Honours

Riding honours went to Gabor Renner, who rode three winners during the day. Chinese jockeys were also prominent and won four races, P. L. Chiu, T. C. Woo, S. Y. Sung and A. C. Ching being the successful riders.

Woo rode a good race to win the New Year Jockey Cup on Glen Raider, beating the lightweighted Smart Guy by a length with a well timed finish. Halmovitch filled the remaining berth on Ideal King two lengths away. Black Pirate was the strongest public fancy but after running an indifferent race he was not in the picture at the finish. Smart Guy took the bit between his teeth and pulled all the way round to lead the field by three lengths; Charming Swift and Mightylight followed him for the first half mile but Burgoyne found difficulty in making the lazy Mightylight gallop and slowly but surely the pony dropped back.

Charming Swift was going strongly and was full of running at the last quarter but his rider's inability to get him to give the extra bit saw him being beaten by Halmovitch on Ideal King who rode a hard finish. Glen Raider came with a burst of speed on the out side opposite the stands to pass the leaders and gallop on and win.

A Double

Mr. R. H. McNair scored a neat double when his pony Sky Raider followed up Night Express's victory with a half-length win over Grey Snake and Levenvale in the New Year Selling race. Great Blessing made the most of a good start and set a fast pace to lead the field until the last furlong when Sky Raider, coming with a rush, passed him to win. Grey Snake and Levenvale also passed him to fill the minor berths. Glen Raider, a winner earlier in the day, made his second start here but with Nash in the saddle did not run into the money. He was claimed by Mr. S. M. Djao for $800. Grey Snake was claimed by Mr. Billey Zung for $600 while the winner was put up for auction after the race and was bought in for $625.

In the Atlantic Handicap (F class), the first race was won by Goldie who was not fully extended to win by three lengths from Downside and Mayorship. Nero galloped like "a bat out of hell" the moment the tape was lifted and cracked off the first quarter in 29.1. He entered the straight with nearly ten lengths to spare but Goldie had no difficulty in reducing this lead and was galloping on a tight rein a hundred yards from home.

Lord Lister got the better of Plainsman after a ding dong battle in E section of the handicap to win by the margin of a head. National Union had a rough passage all the way down the home stretch and never had a clear run, King's Inspection went in front early in the race while the favourites hung behind. The race being slow, however, all the twelve starters were right in the picture fighting out the finish.

1.—THE ATLANTIC HANDICAP, "F" CLASS. 1 mile.
Goldie (K. H.) 154 P. L. Chiu 1
Downside (A. H. George) 157 M. H. Feeney 2
Mayorship (Ment) 154 J. B. Lok 3
Also ran:—Nero (Gabor Renner), Rigoletto (P. Y. Vong), Tar Heel (V. L. Xavier), National City late The Woodthrush (Chen Poo), Prince Charles (E. J. Bell), Cyclone Bill (V. A. Halmovitch), Neptune (R. D. Parkin), Hawaii Clipper (S. Y. Sung), Man O'Pep (H. M. Botelho), Crispylight (C. B. Moller), National Sport (John H. Zia), Beautylight (E. B. Cumine).
Won by 3 lengths; ½ length.
Time, 2.07⅗ sec.
Win, $13.80. Places, $9, $12.40, $31.80.

2.—THE ATLANTIC HANDICAP, "E" CLASS. 1 mile.
Lord Lister (Busted) 154 S. A. Judah 1
Plainsman (Moore & Walsh) 148 E. B. Cumine 2
National Union (C. Y. Chiu) 160 T. L. Wong 3
Also ran:—Purpleray (F. Noodt), Merry Kingman (F. Marshall), China Clipper (C. B. Moller), Red Ike (P. Y. Vong), King's Inspection late Bell Hop (H. M. Pih), Wonderful Rush (S. L. Sung), Dazara (R. D. Parkin), Lal Golab (G. P. Gram), Little Pal (M. H. Feeney).
Won by a head; 1½ length.
Time, 2.10⅕ sec.
Win, $35.60. Places, $10, $9.20, $12.60.

3.—THE ATLANTIC HANDICAP, "D" CLASS. 1 mile.
Flyaway late Aller (W. M. Lewis) 152 Gabor Renner 1
Athenian Knight (So & So) 149 Chen Poo 2
High Power (Manx) 155 E. B. Cumine 3
Also ran:—Tungstenlight (C. B. Moller), Magic Eye (H. M. Pih), Airplane (P. Y. Vong), Bombardier (G. R. Cheape), Merry Christmas (F. Marshall), Jospray (T. C. Woo), Primroseray (A. Noodt), Wet Morn (H. M. Botelho), Phantom (V. L. Xavier), Neville (Y. S. Chang), Romford (R. D. Parkin), Off Chance (M. H. Feeney), Mr. Chips (F. Noodt), Merry Guy (A. C. Ching).
Sweep: (1) 304, (2) 268, (3) 232.
Unplaced: 522, 143, 1033, 553, 154, 1028, 329, 613, 215, 1014, 168, 97, 251, 339.
Won by 1 length; ½ length.
Time, 2.08⅘ sec.
Win, $167.80. Places, $55.40, $25.40, $51.

4.—THE ATLANTIC HANDICAP, "G" CLASS (Section II). 1 mile.
Lands (Park) 157 S. Y. Sung 1
Quadaire (John H.) 149 John H. Zia 2
Crimsonray (Charming) 151 P. Y. Vong 3
Also ran:—Reality (S. L. Sung), Joyfully (T. C. Woo), Chengtu (A. C. Ching), The Redcap (Chen Poo), Prince John (E. J. Bell), Spotted Sand (P. L. Chiu), Comet (K. D. Huang), Cricket (Gabor Renner), The Sketch (A. Noodt), Tiddly Winks (E. B. Cumine), Grey Pearl (S. Wong), Happy Fighter (G. P. Gram), Zealous Chap late Man O'Zeal (V. L. Xavier), Florin (C. B. Moller).
Sweep: (1) 574, (2) 204, (3) 1074.
Unplaced: 598, 1019, 1071, 189, 632, 87, 71, 545, 479, 79, 1022, 571, 656, 415.
Won by 3 lengths; short head.
Time, 2.08 sec.
Win, $35. Places, $11.60, $19.40, $12.

5.—THE NEW YEAR JOCKEY CUP. 11 furlongs.
Glen Raider (McLaurin) 151 T. C. Woo 1
Smart Guy late The Midget (L. Y. Liu) 139 L. Y. Liu 2
Ideal King (Manx) 153 V. A. Haimovitch 3
Also ran:—Charming Swift (Y. N. Chow), Allway (S. Wong), Sandy (John H. Zia), Mightylight (S. Y. Burgoyne), Runninglight (K. D. Huang), White Birthday (F. X. Diniz), Sammy (A. H. Laidlaw), Port Bradda (E. Kermode), Saintsbury (S. M. Djao), Black Pirate (E. J. Bell), Port St. Mary (G. R. Cheape), Cherrybey (J. S. H. Douglas).
Sweep: (1) 653, (2) 478, (3) 286.
Unplaced: 646, 52, 484, 1084, 409, 89, 69, 673, 539, 219, 648, 1112.
Won by 1 length; 2 lengths.
Time, 2.58⅘ sec.
Win, $35.20. Places, $17.60, $58.60, $18.60.

6.—THE ATLANTIC HANDICAP, "C" CLASS. 1 mile.
Rigodon (G. J. Mary) 157 J. Pote-Hunt 1
Hill Song (Oldham) 149 E. B. Cumine 2
Vigour (Vitality) 155 P. Y. Vong 3
Also ran:—Fairy Starling (A. C. Ching), The Swan (I. H. Howell), Lucky Stone (Y. S. Chang), Goldenlight (F. Noodt), Ebonylight (C. B. Moller), Hangchow (Chen Poo), Fairy Jackdaw (Gabor Renner), Mou Tan Hua (V. A. Halmovitch), Petruska (G. P. Gram), Grumpy (F. X. Diniz).
Sweep: (1) 687, (2) 372, (3) 92.
Unplaced: 274, 212, 319, 10, 1159, 139, 205, 394, 416, 1078.
Won by ¾ length; a neck.
Time, 2.05⅖ sec.
Win, $12. Places, $7.40, $12.20, $12.

7.—THE ATLANTIC HANDICAP, "B" CLASS. 1 mile.
Un-Un-Un (G. J. Mary) 154 J. Pote-Hunt 1
Slow Motion (Wise Co.) 158 Y. S. Chang 2
Fancylight (Cire) 151 C. B. Moller 3
Also ran:—Doc (G. P. Gram), Going Slow (E. B. Cumine), Honeymoon Gift (J. B. Lok), Bachelor Prince (S. A. Judah), Marble Hall (Chen Poo), Brown Bomber (Gabor Renner), National Pride late New General (T. L. Wong), Little Joe (T. C. Woo), Claverton (P. L. Chiu), Danbury (A. C. Ching), Clunieburn (A. V. Striker), Merry Admiral (F. Marshall), The Brigate (I. H. Howell).
Sweep: (1) 150, (2) 1027, (3) 217.
Unplaced: 390, 1053, 404, 212, 22, 1113, 371, 571, 277, 621, 617, 1012, 360.
Won by 1½ length; a head.
Time, 2.04⅘ sec.
Win, $34.20. Places, $13.20, $21.20, $27.

8.—THE ATLANTIC HANDICAP, "A" CLASS. 1 mile.
Night Express (R. H. McNair) 152 Gabor Renner 1
Frostylight (Cire) 156 J. Pote-Hunt 2
Democratic Prince (Jim) 149 G. P. Gram 3
Also ran:—Busted Straight (S. A. Judah), White Parade (Y. S. Chang), Corps Cavalry (E. B. Cumine), Merry Jester (F. Marshall), Beautiful Hall late Hongkong Beauty (Chen Poo), Woodbridge (G. R. Cheape), Flyinglight (S. L. Sung), Bober (P. Y. Vong), Merrylight (C. B. Moller).
Sweep: (1) 5, (2) 125, (3) 572.
Unplaced: 251, 631, 375, 423, 1079, 648, 613, 49, 278.
Won by a neck; a head.
Time, 2.01⅘ sec.
Win, $50.60. Places, $13, $8.40, $15.60.

9.—THE NEW YEAR SELLING RACE. ¾ mile.
Sky Raider (R. H. McNair) 156 Gabor Renner 1
Grey Snake (Lawson) 143 Chen Poo 2
Levenvale (Manxman) 158 M. H. Feeney 3
Also ran:—Great Blessing (P. Y. Vong), Black End (Billey Zung), King's Freedom (E. B. Cumine), National Ally (John H. Zia), Happy Fighter (G. P. Gram), Ancient Jade (Y. S. Chang), Marvellous Rush (S. L. Sung), Glen Raider (R. E. Nash).
Sweep: (1) 500, (2) 56, (3) 712.
Unplaced: 635, 197, 613, 72, 217, 73, 167, 23.
Won by ½ length; a neck.
Time, 1.34⅘ sec.
Win, $17. Places, $7.20, $8, $8.

9A.—THE ATLANTIC HANDICAP, "G" CLASS (Section I). 1 mile.
Happy Challenger (Park) 150 A. C. Ching 1
Receivership (Ment) 155 J. B. Lok 2
Night Raider (H. Moore) 150 F. Noodt 3
Also ran:—Blenheim (Gabor Renner), Cherryray (E. B. Cumine), Bonus (S. L. Sung), Port Douglas (E. Kermode), Pearlylight (C. B. Moller), Army Patrol (T. L. Wong), Goldenray (T. C. Woo), Reception Hall late Macao Beauty (Chen Poo), Houdini (M. H. Feeney), Loch Aber (G. V. Cherdyntzeff), Loch Muor (G. P. Gram).
Sweep: (1) 1371, (2) 856, (3) 1084.
Unplaced: 267, 636, 609, 765, 629, 1389, 1333, 1223, 654, 673, 1063.
Won by 1½ length; ½ length.
Time, 2.08 sec.
Win, $23.80. Places, $10.88, $14.60, $25.60.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

Best Finish of the Afternoon

Nine of the twelve ponies in the Atlantic Handicap, A Class, were in a tight bunch while in the last furlong yesterday afternoon at the S.R.C. and it looked anybody's race. The finish is shown here with Night Express (Renner) winning by a neck from Frostylight (Pote-Hunt) on the rails, with Democratic Prince (Gram) third, a head away, in the middle of the picture with Judah on Busted Straight on his left and Y. S. Chang on White Parade on his right. Bober is on the extreme right next to Flyinglight. The favourite, Merrylight, literally was not in the picture. The time of 2.01.8 was just off the record.

Saints Now Chief Rivals of Lido

Football Over New Year Strengthens Position of S.F.X. in 1st Division

Some interesting changes have taken place in the S.F.A. League ladder during the New Year holidays. The Seaforths fell victims to Lido last Tuesday by two clear goals and this put the S.F.X. in second place with only two defeats in seven matches played. The Saints are considered at present as the closest rivals to the pennant-conscious Lido eleven.

Other teams making rapid and steady progress are Association Sportive Francaise and Public Thomas Hanbury. The French trimmed the Recs by the odd goal in seven while the School took the measure of Clube Lusitano by a surprise 5-2 margin on the same afternoon when the Seaforths' hopes to retain the League title were dimmed.

There was no change in the Reserve Division with Lido still the only unbeaten and untied team. In the Second Division Area Details and Jewish Recreation Club continue to march on to victory with the French Forces in close attendance.

Maccabi and Three Cultures have succeeded in keeping the fight between themselves. The Russian Club are hot on their heels but it is unlikely that the two leaders can be overtaken by the Russians.

Present standing of teams follows:

FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	GF.	GA.	Pts.
Lido	7	7	0	0	25	9	14
S.F.X.	7	5	0	2	28	15	10
Seaforths	9	5	0	4	27	21	10
S.R.C.	9	4	2	3	23	27	10
Surreys	8	4	2	2	33	23	10
A.S.F.	8	4	0	4	24	17	8
Tung Hwa	8	4	0	4	21	23	8
P.T.H.	8	3	2	3	20	28	8
Lusitano	9	2	0	7	17	36	4
Police	9	0	0	9	15	33	0

RESERVE DIVISION

Lido	5	5	0	0	24	4	10
Surreys	6	4	2	0	20	8	10
Seaforths	6	3	3	0	16	6	9
S.R.C.	5	2	1	2	10	8	5
Lusitano	5	2	1	2	13	12	5
Tung Hwa	6	2	1	3	7	14	5
Police	5	1	2	2	8	17	4
S.F.X.	5	1	1	3	6	12	3
P.T.H.	6	0	2	4	7	21	2
A.S.F.	5	0	1	4	6	15	1

SECOND DIVISION

Area Details	4	4	0	0	27	5	8
J.R.C.	4	4	0	0	31	3	8
French Forces	5	4	0	1	21	9	8
Sokol	5	3	0	2	19	9	6
Rowing Club	4	2	1	1	21	4	5
Parks	5	2	1	2	15	16	5
Ching Hwa	5	2	0	3	16	17	4
Russian Regt.	5	1	0	4	8	24	2
U.T. Party	4	0	0	4	9	26	0
J.A.C.	5	0	0	5	1	53	0

THIRD DIVISION

Maccabi	7	6	1	0	31	9	13
Three Cultures	7	6	1	0	23	8	13
Russian Club	7	5	2	0	16	8	12
Aurora	7	4	1	2	22	11	9
Xaverians	7	3	1	3	15	4	7
Judeans	7	3	0	4	14	14	6
Old Westonians	7	3	0	4	14	19	6
Olrismen	7	3	0	4	9	18	6
Betar	7	1	2	4	12	18	4
Tung Wen	7	1	1	5	5	26	3
Hotspurs	7	1	1	5	5	14	3
R.A.M.C.	7	1	0	6	13	24	2

Cathedral School to Hold Gymkhana

Varied List of Events On Programme

The Cathedral Boys' School will hold an unofficial Gymkhana today at 2.30 p.m. in the Ascot Riding School by kind permission of the management. Admission will be charged and the boys and girls hope to be able to send a nice donation to the S.S.P.C.A. and War Fund instead of having prizes

Events will include the following.

Saddle Race; Egg and Spoon; Musical chair; Seat and hands; Ball and Bucket; Jumping.

Canidrome Results

1—300 yd. flat.—1, Our Best; 2, Arrow. Also ran:—Mr. Ching, Slippery Sam, Simple Date, Rio Princess.
A head.—Time, 19.65.
Win, $14.20. Forecast (4-3) Div. $73.20.
Place: 1st $14.17; 2nd $2.30.

2—440 yd. flat.—1, Rough Coat; 2, Grand Senate.
Also ran:—Captain Charming, Grand Show, Go Smiling, Candid Attempt.
½ length.—Time, 26.72.
Win, $9.90. Forecast (1-2) Div. $40.60.
Place: 1st $3.00; 2nd $3.40.
Double Event 1/2 (4-1) Div. $28.50.

3—440 yd. flat.—1, Grand Society; 2, Old Cashmere.
Also ran:—Grey Vulcan, Best Chihlit, Woodstock Warrior, Ruddy Shannon.
1 length.—Time, 26.39.
Win, $14.60. Forecast (2-4) Div. $81.20.
Place, 1st $9.40; 2nd $12.70.
Double Event 2/3 (1-2) Div. $25.40.

4—500 yd. flat.—1, Performance; 2, Snowdrift II.
Also ran:—Bowster Boy, Aidyu Wild, Dah Chong Sanrland.
1 length.—Time, 30.84.
Win, $41.70. Forecast (2-4) Div. $99.30.
Place, 1st $12.50; 2nd $6.90.
Double Event 2/4 (2-2) Div. $40.90.

5—500 yd. flat.—1, Fairy Bells; 2, Shenkoland II.
Also ran:—Young Lover, Animals Ruin, Wonderful Bernie, Crummie.
4 lengths.—Time, 30.53.
Win, $14.70. Forecast (6-1) Div. $56.80.
Place, 1st $10.40; 2nd $15.10.
Double Event 4/5 (2-6) Div. $72.70.

6—500 yd. flat.—1, Maggie Dale; 2, Wild Charm.
Also ran:—Dopey, Send'm Along, Flirting Fan, Adam's Choice.
8 lengths.—Time, 30.23.
Win, $9.90. Forecast (6-4) Div. $37.90.
Place, 1st $7.10; 2nd $9.70.
Double Event 5/6 (6-6) Div. $9.20.

7—500 yd. flat.—1, Master Bill; 2, Shadow.
Also ran:—Full House, Mascaroon, Reveille, Marietta.
2½ lengths.—Time, 30.39.
Win, $48.70. Forecast (6-4) Div. $227.10.
Place, 1st $17.60; 2nd, $14.60.
Double Event 6/7 (6-6) Div. $23.30.

8—500 yd. flat.—1, Elbaballero, 2, Mars.
Also ran:—Flying Colletn, Aramis, Chez Madelon, Le Butin.
2½ lengths.—Time, 29.97.
Win, $13.40. Forecast (6-3) Div. $59.50.
Place, 1st $8.20; 2nd $9.70.
Double Event 7/8 (6-6) Div. 45.90.

9—500 yd. flat.—1, Sou Mei; 2, High Brow.
Also ran:—Wild Harmony, Beaconsfield, Diamond Queen, Buckhurst Hill.
½ lengths.—Time, 30.06.
Win, $13.80. Forecast (2-3) Div. $60.20.
Place, 1st $8.30; 2nd $10.10.
Double Event 8-9 (6-2) Div. $19.20.

10—500 yd. flat.—1, Funny Business; 2, Tamerlane.
3½ lengths.—Time, 29.91.
Win, $13.40. Forecast (1-2) Div. $193.70.
Place, 1st $9.30; 2nd $15.40.
Double Event 9/10 (2-1) Div. $23.80.

11—500 yd. flat.—1, Open Beach; 2, Old Jade.
6½ lengths.—Time, 29.47.
Win, $19.00 Forecast (5-2) Div. $49.70.
Place, 1st $10.40; 2nd $10.20.
Double Event 10/11 (1-5) Div. $31.90.

12—500 yd. flat.—1, Monica Troy; 2, Tinker.
½ length.—Time, 29.45.
Win, $12.20. Forecast (5-3) Div. $49.90.
Place, 1st $7.80; 2nd $8.70.
Double Event 11/12 (5-5) Div. $19.50.

Lady Bowlers Vie For Title

Foreign Y. Held to Tie In Inter-Club Duck Pin League Championship

Honours were even in the first four games of the play-off series for the Shanghai Ladies Inter-Club Duck Pins League championship when the Women's Sports Section of the Foreign Y.M.C.A., winners of the South Section, and the American Club "Aces," winners of the North Section registered two games each yesterday afternoon at the Columbia Country Club.

The first string saw the closest score as the "Y" Ladies fell short of ten pins by a margin of 473-463. Good play on the part of Mrs. Sobel, who gained 123, put the "Y" on even terms as the team singled 475 to beat the "Aces," who made only 451.

In the third game the "Aces" showed best form, with Mrs. Jenssen and Mrs. Rundall each getting 106 and Mrs. Deegan singling 105. The five amassed 483 pins against the "Y" team's 470. Mrs. Sobel again did well with 116 but she received poor support from her teammates.

Mrs. Collaco starred for the "Y" quintette, countering 115, in the fourth string. The "Aces" fell away and trailed by 486-449 to make the four strings bowled equally divided between the two sides. The last three games will take place this afternoon in the same alleys and the team winning the next two takes the title.

Results of the first four games follow:

FOREIGN Y.M.C.A.

Mrs. Zee	94	89	83	266
Mrs. Harvey	82	91	76	249
Mrs. Sobel	89	123	116	328
Mrs. Collaco	95	89	93	221
Mrs. Malleck	103	84	97	284
	463	475	470	1,408

AMERICAN CLUB "ACES"

Mrs. Jenssen	92	96	106	294
Mrs. Evans	88	98	75	259
Mrs. Rundall	101	102	106	309
Mrs. Kwok	102	94	81	277
Mrs. Deegan	90	82	105	278
	473	451	483	1,407

Marine Reds Trounce The Chains

One Sided Scores in Basketball Games

One-sided scores marked the three games which were played off in the Foreign Y.M.C.A. Invitation Basketball League last night. The U.S. Marine Reds trounced the Chains by 48 to 21 by establishing an early lead and increased it as the tussle went along.

Kaufmann, the tall centre, was the chief threat to the losers as he countered eight field baskets to lead the Marines' attack. Leadbetter, the sharp-shooting forward, was also in fine form, netting half a dozen goals from the field.

Shanghai Bank took the measure of Kwang Shih by 21 to 7. Play was very slow in the first half in which neither side could score as freely as they had wished. At half-time the margin read 4-3 in favour of the bankers. Upon the resumption the latter team broke loose to wind up with a big score of 21-7.

Woo Kwang vanquished the Clouds by 27 to 17. As the score indicates, play was quite close, especially in the first period in which the difference between the two was 8-5.

Following were the summaries:—

MARINE REDS

	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
Leadbetter, lf.	6	0	0	12
Mudry, lf.	0	0	1	0
Rozier, rf.	4	1	2	9
Estes, rf.	1	0	1	2
Kaufmann, c.	8	1	1	17
Robinson, lg.	2	0	1	4
Dingwall, rg.	2	0	1	4
	23	2	7	48

CHAIN

S. T. Tung, lf.	1	0	1	2
S. S. Wong, lf.	1	0	0	2
C. C. Hu, rf.	1	0	0	2
P. P. Lee, c.	2	0	1	5
T. T. Chang, lg.	2	0	0	4
T. T. Hu, rg.	3	0	2	6
T. C. Van, rg.	0	0	0	0
	10	1	7	21

1st half:—Reds 20, Chain 11.
2nd half:—Reds 26, Chain 10.

SHANGHAI BANK

	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
T. Chang, lf.	1	1	2	3
S. C. Pan, lf.	0	0	0	0
V. Chow, rf.	0	1	0	1
K. M. Moh, c.	0	0	0	0
Y. Yih, lg.	3	1	1	7
T. Chow, lg.	3	2	0	8
C. L. Lu, rg.	1	0	3	2
	8	5	7	21

KWANG SHIH

T. Chen, lf.	0	0	0	0
L. P. Le, lf.	0	0	1	0
T. M. Ling, rf.	0	0	0	0
K. L. Kao, c.	2	0	0	4
T. S. Wong, lg.	0	0	0	0
Y. Yang, rg.	0	2	3	2
T. C. Zee, rg.	0	1	2	1
	2	3	8	7

1st half:—Shanghai Bank 4, Kwang Shih 3.
2nd half:—Shanghai Bank 17, Kwang Shih 4.

WOO KWANG

	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
Y. C. Yang, lf.	2	1	1	5
K. Z. Zee, lf.	5	0	1	10
K. Z. Choy, rf.	3	3	2	9
J. S. Wong, c.	1	1	1	3
Y. M. Lin, rg.	0	0	3	0
Z. Y. Jan, lg.	0	0	1	0
	11	5	9	27

CLOUD

T. L. Chang, lf.	2	1	2	5
K. L. Chang, lf.	0	0	4	0
K. Z. Liang, rf.	0	0	1	0
C. J. Lee, c.	3	0	1	6
K. H. Ling, lg.	0	1	0	1
W. Soong, rg.	0	0	1	0
F. Z. Liu, rg.	2	1	0	5
	7	3	9	17

1st half:—Woo Kwang 8, Cloud 5.
2nd half:—Woo Kwang 19, Cloud 12.

Night Express

Scottish Soccer League

London, Jan. 2.

Results of Divisional League matches played today are:—

SCOTTISH WESTERN

Albion Rovers 4, Motherwell 0
Hamilton Acads. 3, St. Mirren 4
Kilmarnock 3, Ayr United 1
Morton 2, Airdrieonians 1
Queen Of South 3, Dumbarton 1
Clyde v. Third Lanark postponed
Queen's Park v. Celtic postponed
Rangers v. Partick Thistle postponed

SCOTTISH EASTERN

Aberdeen 6, Falkirk 2
Cowdenbeath 0, Hibernian 4
Dundee 2, St. Bernards 7
East Fife 3, Dundee United 6
Hearts 7, Arbroath 2
King's Park 1, Alloa 2
St. Johnstone 10, Raith Rovers 3
Stenhousemuir 3, Dunfermline 0

—Reuter.

Finnish Heel-and-Toe Champion Killed

Amsterdam, Jan. 2.

Erkki Tamila, Finnish heel-and-toe champion renowned throughout the world, met his death on the Finnish-Soviet warfront, it was reported here tonight.—Havas.

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Chinese Account for Eight Japanese Raiding Planes

Success Claimed in Air Battle Over Liuchow in Kwangsi; Severe Fighting on Canton Railway

Chungking, Jan. 3.

EIGHT Japanese pursuit 'planes were shot down by Chinese fighters in an aerial battle above Liuchow, in Kwangsi, on Saturday afternoon, according to Chinese reports received here.

It is stated that 18 Japanese pursuit aircraft of the 96 type reached Liuchow in the afternoon, when Chinese fighters took off from different airfields in the vicinity and attacked the raiders from all directions. In the course of a very severe battle lasting 15 minutes, it is claimed, the Chinese shot down eight Japanese machines.

Arrivals here by aeroplane from Shaokwan, strategic city on the Canton-Hankow Railway, near the Hunan-Kwangtung border, report that Japanese forces north of Canton are making a determined drive northward along the railway.

While a Japanese column along the railway is engaging Chinese troops in the vicinity of Yingteh, it is stated, Japanese forces east of the railway are trying to reach Shaokwan by breaking through the Chinese left wing.

Attack Well Timed

Following the arrival of Chinese reinforcements, it is thought here the Japanese advance along the Canton-Hankow railway, north of Canton, may be stemmed.

The Japanese attack appears to have been well timed, and launched when the Chinese were reorganizing their lines. This enabled Japanese to the east of the railway, who broke through the Chinese lines north of Tsunghua, in the vicinity of Meikeng, to advance northward in an attempt to outflank Chinese troops holding the railway at Yingteh and to threaten Shaokwan from south-east.

With the arrival of reinforcements, it is believed the Chinese will be able to fill gaps in their line south-east of Shaokwan.

High Chinese commanders are personally directing operations at the front in an effort to stem the Japanese advance northward along the railway.

Fighting Near Nanning

Chinese reports received here from the Nanning front say fighting in that area is at present confined to Chinese attempts to seize three strongly-fortified positions north-east of Nanning, in the vicinity of Kunlunkwan pass.

The Chinese, the reports add, have not been able to dislodge Japanese from machine-gun nests guarding the pass.

In South Shansi the Chinese are exerting pressure on Japanese forces in the triangular area comprising Hsiahsien, Wenhsi and Yunchen, it is claimed here.

A serious flood is reported in North Shansi, but no details are yet available.

Chinese reports claim that a Japanese naval scouting plane was shot down on the morning of New Year's Day above Hengyang, in South Hunan, by Chinese fighters.—Reuter.

Japanese Halt Advance

Canton, Jan. 3.

Japanese troops engaged in a counter-offensive against Chinese forces massed for an attack on Japanese-occupied territory in Kwangtung yesterday halted their advance after inflicting "a drastic defeat" upon the forces of Gen. Yu Han-mou, acting commander-in-chief of the Chinese Fourth War Zone, the Japanese Expeditionary Force to South China announced in a communiqué issued at noon yesterday.

The Japanese forces, the announcement said, had turned about to engage in a mopping-up campaign of disorganized Chinese troop remnants found within the area embraced by the Japanese pincer movement.

Ammunition for various arms, which the Chinese command had spent a year to collect, was "seized in one stroke," the communiqué declared. Chinese dead found abandoned up to January 1 totalled 15,000, the announcement stated.

Cities Captured

The counter-offensive, the communiqué recalled, was launched on December 25. In that period, Chinese bases in the vicinity of Yungyun, Sanhwachen, and Yingtak, all between 100 to 170 kilometres north of Canton east of the Canton-Hankow Railway, were captured.

Chinese troops in flight could no longer be seen from the Japanese front lines, the communiqué claimed.

"It is to be expected," the communiqué declared, "that the craftly enemy, in order to hide its defeat, will make the false claim that it has repulsed our forces by misrepresenting the present action of our army, which is a step taken on our own initiative to reorganize our effectives.

"The facts, however, clearly show that the enemy has been completely routed. It should be further recalled, that when this operation was started, it was clearly announced that its objective lay not in the seizure of territory or the capture of towns, but in destroying enemy forces offering resistance," it added.

"It goes without saying that should the enemy reassemble its defeated troops to engage in hostile activity, the same operation will be repeated without hesitation regardless of the time or place," the communique declared.—Domei.

Troops in Mountains Bombed

Hankow, Jan. 3.

Chinese troops, numbering about 1,500, massed in the Tapieh Mountain range north of Hsiatien, east of the Peiping-Hankow Railroad, were bombed on Monday by a squadron of Japanese army aircraft, according to a field dispatch reaching here today.—Domei.

Paoking Raided

A Japanese Naval Base in China, Jan. 3.

Military structures and munition factories in the vicinity of Paoking, a strategic point in central Hunan province, were destroyed yesterday afternoon by a Japanese naval air squadron.

Military establishments and the aerodrome at Hengyang, a key point in southern Hunan province, were also bombed by Japanese naval planes.

Both raids were conducted without resistance, and all planes returned to their base safely.—Domei.

Yunnan Tunnel Bombed

Continuing a spirited attack on the Yunnan Railway extending from French Indo-China to Kunming, Japanese naval aircraft on Tuesday bombed a tunnel and several bridges near Mengtze, Yunnan, the Japanese China Seas Fleet announced in a communique issued in Shanghai yesterday.

The raid was the fourth in as many days and was carried out by a large force commanded by Lieut-Commander Toshiie Irisa, one of the Japanese navy's best known bombing pilots. Another lieutenant-commander and four lieutenants, senior grade, also took part in the attack at the head of their various formations. The raid was executed in the face of poor weather conditions for the purpose of "further extending the successes" achieved in previous raids, the communique stated.

The operation was described as highly successful in the announcement.

Japanese Naval forces were active in five provinces on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, a communique issued by the Japanese China Seas Fleet command said yesterday. Troops and positions were bombed in Shantung, Hunan, Kiangsi, Hupeh, and Kwangsi.

Warships Shell Chinese

Japanese warships on the Yangtze bombarded Chinese troops massed near Tienkiachen on the eastern border of Hupeh and near Hokiatan south of Siangkowchen on the southern border of Anhwei, the Japanese China Seas Fleet command announced yesterday.

Japanese naval ships on Friday, the announcement revealed, attacked units of the Chinese 172nd Division near Lankichen opposite Hwangshihkang in eastern Hupeh.

U.S. Accuses Many Shipping Firms

Falsification of Bills of Lading of Shipments of Japan Silk Alleged

Washington, Jan. 3.

The Maritime Commission yesterday accused twelve foreign and two United States steamship companies operating between Japan and the United States with falsifying bills of lading, mis-classifying their cargooes, and granting illegal rebates on silk cargoes.

The charge named the following steamship companies: the Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha, the Kokusai Kisen Kaisha, the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, the United Ocean Transport Company, the Yamashita Kisen Kabushiki Kaisha, the China Mutual Steam Navigation Company, the Ocean Steamship Company, A. P. Moller Ltd., Wilhelm Wilhelmsen Company, the Canadian Pacific Steamship Company, the American President Lines, and the States Steamship Company.

The Commission charged the companies with having favoured some shippers with preferential rates and discriminated against other shippers.—United Press.

Abrogation of Japan Treaty Welcomed

Chinese Foreign Minister Broadcasts to U.S.

Chungking, Jan. 3.

"January will be significant for China as well as Japan," declared Mr. Wang Chung-hui, the Foreign Minister, in a special broadcast to the United States yesterday.

Referring to the forthcoming expiration of the America-Japan trade treaty, he hailed the United States' initiative in ending the treaty as "undoubtedly a step in the right direction in view of Japan's violation of the Nine Power Treaty and Japan's challenge to American rights to equal opportunity for trade in China."

Turning to the Sino-Japanese hostilities, he said: "We are confident of winning the war for the Chinese army is becoming stronger every day through experience gained on the battlefield."

Stressing the constructive work China has been carrying on despite the hostilities, he declared: "China's position both as a seller and a buyer will, in the course of time, be greatly enhanced."

"Your material and moral strength," Mr. Wang Chung-hui added, "has exerted, and will continue to exert, powerful influence in shaping the destiny of the Far East."—Reuter.

Britain, Portugal in Close Alliance

Lisbon, Jan. 3.

In a New Year's greeting to President Antonio Carmona, King George VI of England today tendered the good wishes of Great Britain to the people of Portugal. To "the old and valorous ally of my country, bound by mutual esteem and historic ties," the King expressed gratification of their long-standing friendship. In his reply, President Carmona also lauded the ties that had united the two peoples for so many centuries.—Havas.

Participation of Indian Soldiers Noted

New York, Jan. 3.

The "Washington Evening Star" says the participation of Indian soldiers in the British Empire's war against Germany is significant. "Its importance will not be lost to the German official mind which has long believed that in times of peril, Mother Britannia could never reckon with certainty on the devotion and aid of her overseas offspring.—Reuter.

Final Scenes of the Scuttling of Graf Spee

Taken from a low-flying aeroplane, upper pictures are close-up views of the Admiral Graf Spee as she burnt and sank in the Rio de la Plata off Montevideo. Below, some of the crew of the Graf Spee as they arrived in Buenos Aires on board the tug Nigente for internment by the Argentine Government. These pictures were radioed to New York from Buenos Aires, transmitted by International Soundphotos to San Francisco en route to Shanghai.

Fear of Attack from Germany Caused Russian Invasion of Finland

Mr. Sun Fo Gives His Views of Reasons for Soviet Action; Fighting "For Her Own Security"

Chungking, Jan. 3.

"The cause of the Soviet-Finnish war was due more to fear of Germany using Finland for an attack on Russia than any direct Finnish threat to Leningrad," declared Mr. Sun Fo, President of the Legislative Yuan, who has recently returned from a tour of Europe and the United States, in a speech on December 23, the text of which is being published by the Chinese press in instalments.

"Fear of Germany launching attacks on Russia via small countries like Esthonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Finland," he continued, "prompted Russia's move in concluding non-aggression pacts with small Baltic countries.

Mr. Sun Fo expressed the opinion that the Soviet-Finnish war was quite "unnecessary" since "despite the fact that Finland was being used by certain Powers, she would not attack Russia."

He expressed the opinion that the Soviet-Finnish war was different from other wars as it was waged by Soviet Russia "for her own security."

In conclusion, he said he was confident that the Soviet-Finnish war would be concluded at an early date with Finland continuing to exist as an independent state.—Reuter.

Austrians Begin Fight For Freedom

Office in London Issues Manifesto of Aims

London, Jan. 2.

"Austrians in their country and in exile are carrying on the struggle for their motherland's freedom and for democracy," declares a manifesto published today by the newly created Austria Office.

The declaration is signed by Count Huyn, former Press Attache with the Austrian Legation here in London. It states that the Austria Office is directed by several former Cabinet members, one former Socialist Deputy of the Vienna Parliament and a leader of the Christian trade unions.

"The Office," the manifesto continued, "desires not only a free Austria but also to help bring about a new international order based upon compulsory mutual assistance, effective economic co-operation in a union based on limitation of the national sovereignty of each associated State. Austria could serve as an example in such a new order by promoting a federation of States in the Danubian basin."—Havas.

U.S. Building 35,000-ton Battleship

Washington, Jan. 3.

The U.S.S. North Carolina, 35,000-ton battleship, will be launched next June, it was stated here today. She is the first battleship constructed in the United States since the Washington Conference of 1921.

The Navy Department announced that six battleships of the same type and displacing the same tonnage are being built at present. However, complete secrecy is maintained as to their features.—Havas.

Burma Officials Leave Chungking

Chungking, Jan. 3.

After a five-day visit, Mr. A. H. Seymour, Defence Secretary of Burma, and Mr. Nesbitt Hawes, Director of Posts of Burma, left by air yesterday for Rangoon.

During their stay here, they called on General Ho Ying-ching, the War Minister, and Mr. Chang Kiang-au, Minister of Communications.

It is understood that they evinced much interest in the question of communications between China and Burma. Their visit here is stated to be unofficial, both being on leave.—Reuter.

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At the Chinese Aluminium Rolling Mills, a Swiss factory in Yangtszepoo, about one-half the 400 employees are now working.

Quiet prevailed along Shanghai's "department store row" in Nanking Road yesterday. Wing On's, where labour trouble occurred on New Year's Eve, and the other large Chinese stores were operating normally. Wing On's employees' dormitories likewise did not produce any further disturbances.

Belgians Fire on Planes, Believed German

Brussels, Jan. 3.

Foreign aircraft flew over Belgium last night, drawing the fire of anti-aircraft guns. Belgian fighting-planes also went up to intercept the planes. The aircraft are believed to have been German, but official confirmation for this is lacking.—Reuter.

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FUNERALS

Mr. Thomas Davies

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at Lokawei Cemetery with Dean Trivett officiating for the late Mr. Thomas Davies of the Customs Harbour River Police. Mr. Davies died at the Country Hospital last Saturday following a long illness. Among those present were Mr. William C. Woodfield, Chief of the Customs Harbour River Police, with one hundred officers, Capt. W. J. Gorman, Chief Fire Officer of the Harbour Fire Brigade, with a detachment of firemen, Captain Y. Sugiyama, Harbour Master, Mr. Bolam, Assistant Harbour Master, Mr. Fletcher, Harbour Officer, Mr. A. Pullen, representing the United Services Associations and representatives from the Customs Club and other departments of the Chinese Maritime Customs Service. The coffin was draped with the Union Jack and borne to the grave by six uniformed members of the Customs Harbour River Police, Messrs. K. Mansfield, G. Short, T. Mita, K. Baba, L. Rozoff and A. Fingereth. As the coffin was being lowered, a wreath from the United Services Association was placed thereon. Among those sending flowers were:—

John; The Executive Staff of Chinese Maritime Customs; Foreign Staff Harbour Master's Office; Officers and Men, Harbour Fire Brigade; Foreign and Chinese Staff, Soochow Creek Customs River Police Station; Foreign Staff, Wetmore Road Customs River Police Station; Chinese Staff, Wetmore Road Customs River Police Station; Foreign Staff, Pootung Point Customs River Police Station; Chinese Staff, Pootung Point Customs River Police Station; Foreign and Chinese Staff, Woosung Customs River Police Station; Members of the Customs Club; Inspectors Harper and Sullivan of the Foreign Staff Shanghai Municipal Council Bund Office; U.S. Fleet Reserve Association, Customs River Police Pootung Point Station, Chinese Detectives Nos. 1, 22, 70, 87 and 107; Mr. H. Abbott; E. R. Dyrby; Mr. and Mrs. Halliwell; Mr. and Mrs. C. Hess; Mr. and Mrs. J. Kirichok; Mr. and Mrs. Nemeth; Mr. Nickless; Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Stebbeds; Mr. Y. Sugiyama; Mr. William C. Woodfield; and others.

Mr. Joseph Richard Villas

In the presence of relatives and a host of friends, the remains of the late Joseph Richard Villas were laid to rest yesterday afternoon at the Hungjao Road Cemetery. In the morning a Requiem Mass was celebrated at St. Pierre's Church on Avenue Dubail, and the last rites were carried out by the Rev. F. M. de Chalain, S.J. The late Mr. Villas was a resident thirty-five years in Shanghai and the chief clerk of the Shanghai Waterworks, Limited, at the time of his death. He is survived by his widow, Renee Villas, two daughters, Georgette and Francine, brother, George Villas, and sisters, Mrs. C. Grout, Miss M. Villas and Miss B. Villas, of San Rafael, California, and Mrs. A. Tapin, of Manila. Mr. Villas died suddenly of heart failure at his residence on New Year's eve. The pallbearers were Messrs. P. Gelin, A. S. Ahmed, J. Xavier, C. O. White, Alex. Barrera and J. H. Leon. Among those sending flowers were:—

Renee; Georgette and Francine; Alice and George; Erlwget, Aggie and Martha; "The Sorrowing Musketeers"; Berthe and Michele; Bill, Anne and the children; Bill and Elsa; Henry and Harold; Jeanne and Henry; Joe and Lil; Lizzie and Lou; Lulu and Ted; Madeleine and Shimmy; Marie and Freddie; Charley and Kitty; Charlie and Chriscie; Charlotte and Gilbert; Sister Cyrille, and George, Billy, Pat and Noel; Philo, Tom, Rita and Anthony; Polly, Karl and Ernst; Aggie, Manuel, Teddy, Nena, Joe and Mimi; Victor, Fred and Daisy; Winnie; The Head Office Foreign Staff of The Shanghai Waterworks Company Ltd.; The Shanghai Waterworks Company, Ltd.; The Foreign Staff Mains Department, Shanghai Waterworks Company Ltd.; The Foreign Staff at Yangtszepoo Pumping Station; The Cashier's Department, Shanghai Waterworks Company Ltd.; Distributive Inspection Department, Shanghai Waterworks Company Ltd.; Members of the Willows Tennis Club; Sisters of Loretto; Mr. et Mme. Louis Agnel; V. A. Agnine; Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Ahmed and Sarah; Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Aldeguer; Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Allen and family; V. D. Alobog; Mr. R. Artindale; Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Asuncion; Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Asuncion; Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Bahon and family; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Barradas and family; Annie and Leo Barrera; Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Barrera and Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Barrera; Mr. and Mrs. H. Bolloni; E. Briffault et Jeanne; Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Buckley; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Butt; Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Calibo and family; Mr. and Mrs. H. Cadiz; Rosa and Vincent Chun; Mr. C. B. A. Collaco and Mr. A. C. Collaco; Mr. and and Mrs. M. A. Collaco; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Collins; Ernest A. Cooke; Mr. and Mrs. Henrique D'Albuquerque Corte-Real; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. de la Cruz; Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Currie; Mr. and Mrs. George Deitz and family; Mme. G. Endaya, Jacques et Fouard Vandelet; B. J. Endaya and family; Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Ferras; Ethel, Bob and Henry Favacho; Mr. and Mme. P. Gelin; George Gomes; Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Green; K. Gulamali; Tony Gutierrez; Mrs. W. T. Guy; Mr. G. Hassan; Mr. J. Hawes and Miss Hawes; Mr. T. Y. Hsiung; Mr. and Mrs. John Kearns and children; Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Kirby; R. Klingenberg; Daisy Leon; J. H. Leon and family; A. J. Tanaka; Mr. et Mme. G. B. Lesplnasse; P. Leon and family; Miss M. Rodriguez; Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Letchford; Mr. H. Martin Little; Mrs. F. Lloyd; Loo Pui Chee; W. Lowry; Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Luchangco; Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Macain; Mrs. J. E. Macain; Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Moalem; Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Morgan; Mr. and Mrs. J. Nakamura; Mr. and Mrs. W. Naughton; Mr. and Mrs. R. Oliveros and family; W. R. Parker; Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Pearson; Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Passos and Junior; Mr. and Mrs. Walter P. Rial; E. V. Roche; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Roche; Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Roche; Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Rozario; Mr. and Mrs. Sangalan and family; Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Sequeira; Mr. and Mrs. V. B. da Silva; Mr. Sun Gien Hsien; Mrs. Tanaka and family; Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Tizon and family; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Tordy; Mr. et Mme. Paul Vatentin; William Wolnizer and B. A. F. Wolnizer; F. H. Woo; Mr. et Mme. J. F. Xavier; Yasoko and family; Yu Hsi-Chang; Zien King Sung; Zien Cho Ming; Hsien Yueh Chien; Liang King Wen; Sung King Sun; R. M. Smith; Sam Lee; H. L. Favacho; Jack Stephan; George Lee; Alfred Rocha; Earnie Cooke; Chuck Tuck Kee; Wong Ying Poo; Ah King Wong D. Moo; Cheng Ping Yee; and others.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of the International Funeral Directors.

Miss Emma Krill

The funeral took place at Lokawei Cemetery yesterday morning of Miss Emma Krill, whose death occurred at the Paulun Hospital on Monday. Requiem Mass was celebrated at the Church of Christ the King Rue Bourgeat at 9 o'clock by Rev. Father McGreal, S. J. The chief mourners were the Gioulis family. At the Cemetery Father McGreal, S.J., again officiated. The pallbearers were Messrs. J. Gioulis, G. Gioulis, A. Gioulis, C. Gioulis, P. Ongetta and G. Bach. A beautiful cross of white flowers from Auntie and Obasan was lowered into the grave with the coffin.

Wreaths were received from the following among others:—

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Prime Minister Has Busy Time Over New Year

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Japan's Cabinet will hold its first meeting of the new year tomorrow, the "Asahi Shimbun" reported today.

The main topics to be discussed, the paper stated, would be the attitude token by members of various political parties towards the Government and the latest developments in Mr. Wang Ching-wei's movement for the establishment of a new Central Government in China.

Reporting on the Premier, Gen. Nobuyuki Abe's activities the past few days, the "Asahi" said that he kept busy throughout the holidays, stopping work only on Tuesday night to spend the night at a friend's villa at Kamakura.

General Abe conferred with Gen. Shunroku Hata, War Minister, Hidijiro Nagata, Railways Minister, and Mr. Naoshi Ohara, Home Minister, on Saturday, talked with Mr. Kakichi Kawarada, Education Minister, on Sunday, and exchanged views with Mr. Kazuo Aoki, Finance Minister, on Tuesday, the "Asahi" said.—Domei.

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ENGAGEMENT

LEVACO—PATUSHINSKY.—The engagement is announced of BENJAMIN MICHAEL, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Levaco, and VERA, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Patushinsky, both of Shanghai. (Tientsin and Hongkong papers please copy.) -71

DEATHS

JORDAN.—At Putney, London, England, ANNE HOWE, widow of the late Sir John Newell Jordan. Deeply regretted by her three surviving sons. 10074

WATTIE.—JAMES ALEXANDER, at Victoria, B.C., on December 22, 1939. (By cable.) 10069

REQUIEM MASS

A Requiem Mass for the late Mrs. ALICE TALBOT ANDERSON will be said tomorrow, Friday, January 5, in The Church of Christ The King, at 235 Rue Bourgeat, at 8.30 a.m. -10700

CARDS

Madame M. DEHAN

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MRS. RENEE VILLAS and FAMILY wish to thank their friends for the messages of sympathy and for the beautiful floral tributes sent during their recent bereavement.

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MORE PEACE FEELERS

That peace feelers are being thrown out is evidenced by the interest which is being shown in the reported peace proposals which appeared in "Le Petit Parisien," the reference to peace conditions by "Le Temps," and an article on the same subject appearing in the Italian semi-official newspaper "Giornale d'Italia." It is significant that the reports on which these articles appear to be based should have originated in Italy itself, and, though they probably amount to nothing more than an attempt to sound out the market, they are nevertheless worthy of consideration. "Le Petit Parisien," warning its readers that the report must be accepted with all reserve, suggests that elements in the Reich are striving to initiate a peace offensive, which, should it be successful, would be favourable to Germany, and leave her an essential part of her conquests. The alleged scheme involves a reshuffle of the German Government, the elevation of Herr Hitler to the post of President, with Field-Marshal Goering as Chancellor, the inclusion of such men as Herr R. Mackensen and Dr. Schacht in the Government, and the elimination of such radicals as Dr. Joseph Gobbels, Herr Himmler and Dr. Ley. The scheme envisages the re-establishment of Poland and Czechoslovakia, reduced in size through arbitration by a high personage, the renunciation of autarchy, and the general re-entrance of Germany into the European economic system, which must remain impossible so long as the doctrine of self-sufficiency is adhered to. The disappearance of authoritarian régimes would seem to be the pre-requisite of any peace reached under such a suggestion as that outlined above, and it is interesting to note that in this connection the "Giornale d'Italia," far from being enthusiastic about it, firmly rejects any such proposal. As the journal in question is not dealing with the report in "Le Petit Parisien," but an article appearing in "Le Temps," its reaction to the more comprehensive peace-feeler is not manifested, but as the latter contains the suggestion of the disappearance of autarchy it may be taken that its contentions apply with equal force.

The assertions of "Le Petit Parisien" that German captains of industry appear agreeable to any interior solution which will prevent Germany slipping towards Bolshevism, and the report that Generals von Reichenau and J. Blaskowitz are sounding Nazi leaders and heavy industry magnates are interesting, and highly significant if true. The fact is that the German military have all along been uneasy over Herr Hitler's policy, involving the commencement of a war concerning the outcome of which they have at no time shown any real confidence. They are equally anxious lest Herr Hitler should plunge them into some military adventure which they fear could only lead to disaster, and there cannot be the slightest doubt that the military caste would rather see the elimination of Herr Hitler than that he should continue in power and lead the country to further difficulties. It has to be remembered that while Herr Hitler has enunciated his desire for peace, it meant a peace which left him in possession of the swag. The suggestions which are now being canvassed seek to give something to assuage the anger of the Allies, while at the same moment leaving Herr Hitler in power, with the greater portion of his unlawful gains, and the discharge of assistants who never formulated policy, but merely executed his designs. The proposed peace offensive must, therefore, prove entirely unacceptable to the Allies, save insofar as, if they are ever put forward, they will indicate some degree of weakening in the German stand. The elevation of Herr Hitler to the presidency, and Field-Marshal Goering to the chancellorship is not so radical a change as the Allies would desire, for it is open to very considerable doubt whether a man of the type of Herr Hitler would be content to play second fiddle to a former subordinate, and to relinquish the power which he has been enjoying for all too long. The suggested change would be as effective as a shadow compared with the very substantial fact that in reality the control of the Reich would have undergone no alteration. Herr Hitler would still be in power, for the overweening ambitions of the man would never permit him to become the figurehead which Marshal von Hindenburg was. From that point of view the suggested changes in the government of the Reich would be merely a continuation of the Hitlerian régime.

There is a possibility that the well-known moderate views of Field-Marshal Goering might commend themselves to the Allies, but those views would continue to be completely offset so long as Herr Hitler was President. Putting the argument in another manner it must be apparent that Herr Hitler, having sold the pass to Communism in exchange for fancied help from Russia which has not materialized, has betrayed his country to a nation which the campaign in Finland has shown Germany need never have dreaded, and it is clear that there will have to be a divorce *mensa et thoro* between Germany and the Hitler régime if opposition is to be offered to the westward sweep of Bolshevism which both the German military caste, and the industrial magnates so patently fear. It is consequently, not a matter for argument, but merely for acceptance that the interests of the Allies and those of the Germans themselves would best be served by the total elimination of Herr Hitler from any part in the Government of the Reich, and his banishment to a place where his influence would be reduced to nothing. What happens to men like Goebbels, Himmler and Ley matters little. Once the source of all their authority had disappeared, they could easily be disposed of and permitted to enjoy their wealth in those countries in which they have deposited it against such a day as the peace which is suggested should bring about. Whether Herr Hitler is the brains or merely the mouthpiece of the system really does not matter so long as he and his associates have no further influence in the government of the Reich, and insidious as this reported peace plan is, the knowledge of that fact will undoubtedly strengthen universal opinion into the belief that the destruction of the Hitlerian system is the essential pre-requisite without which it is not even possible to discuss a cessation of hostilities. The proposed abandonment of autarchy, and a return to world economy would of course make it necessary that the Allies should come forward with economic assistance to enable Germany to regain her position amongst the nations of the world. The manner in which such aid was availed of in the early years after the last war suggests again that men with the complete lack of principles which Herr Hitler and his accomplices have, would be most unfitted to enter into relations with the rest of Europe which would have to be based upon the completest trust and confidence, and not even the most convinced optimist can point to anything which Herr Hitler has done which suggests that any faith at all could be placed in him. The fact is that no peace offensive which does not include a radical change in the present government of Germany can ever be successful.

China in the Honours

Although the New Year's honours list has been postponed and will be included in the larger list to be issued on the occasion of the King's birthday, considerable satisfaction will be felt in Shanghai at the Royal Navy and Royal Air Force New Year's list which mentions a number of men known in Shanghai. Captain A. R. Halfhide is given the C.B.E. and Lieut.-Comdr. J. M. S. Cox, of H.M.S. Cockchafer, and Surgeon-Lieut. V. J. R. Sheridan, of H.M.S. Sandpiper, have been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross. Captain Halfhide visited Shanghai in command of H.M.S. Cardiff belonging to the Fifth Cruiser Squadron, and in this connection it should be mentioned that there is a certain link between this vessel and the German "scuttle" policy for it was Cardiff which led the German Fleet into Scapa Flow at the end of the last war. The Germans later scuttled the entire fleet, setting a precedent so vigorously followed in this war. Lieut.-Comdr. Cox distinguished himself by his services at Kiukiang when the foreign community, largely British, was isolated on top of the mountain at Kuling during the hostilities when the Japanese held the foot of the mountain and the Chinese held positions mid-way. It was through his services that contact was established with the isolated community and most of them were safely evacuated. Suregon-Lieut. Sheridan did yeoman work at Changsha when H.M.S. Sandpiper, the smallest ship in the Yangtze Flotilla, was bombed by Japanese aeroplanes and nearly sunk. For services with the Yangtze Flotilla Petty-Officers H. Pitt and T. Topley receive the Distinguished Service Medal. In the Royal Air Force promotion list, the name of Flight-Lieut. K. D Stanion, born in Shanghai, is mentioned, he having been promoted to Squadron-Leader. The French community also have reason to be proud of local products because Lucien Ferrer, a Tientsin-born French youth, has received the Croix de Guerre with palms for gallantry in action on the western front. In a daring raid on a German position he captured a machine gun.

New Classes Called

The signing by His Majesty the King, of a proclamation placing all Britons between the ages of 19 and 28 at the service of the military authorities, will have the effect of increasing the number of men available to no less than 2,750,000. To this has to be added the forces of the regular army, the auxiliaries and the reserves, called up before the outbreak of war, whose numbers have been considerably swelled by volunteering. This should mean that when the new classes have undergone their training, a very substantial addition will be possible to the forces already serving in France, while should threats to the Empire become revealed, as it is thought by some they might be, there should be sufficient forces available to meet them. As it has already been pointed out, the British Empire during the last war mobilized no fewer than 8,900,000 men who were engaged in the many different theatres of war which were opened before hostilities came to a close. Prior to the issue of this proclamation the number of men enrolled under the Military Training Act amounted to 750,000. That has now been raised to about 2,750,000 exclusive of the regular army, auxiliaries and reserves. Those newly-called up will not undergo training immediately but will be called upon at various dates as the need for them is anticipated. Thus, with between three and four million men already at the disposal of the military authorities, the man-power of the British Isles is in no danger of being exhausted, and, if the war continues long enough, the world may yet see the Allies putting as many men into the field as they did between 1914 and 1918, namely somewhere in the neighbourhood of 17,000,000 men. According to the Minister of Labour there is a probability that all the men now covered by the latest proclamation will be called up within the present year, and, with a substantial number of men of other age limits still available, the great feat seen during the last war of building up a huge British Army stands a very good chance of being repeated, with the facility that the experience of twenty-five years ago has given the authorities.

IN PARENTHESIS

Just One Happy Family

"THIS is my sister, sir," said the subaltern bashfully, when he unexpectedly met his company commander in Hyde Park.

"That's all right," said his senior, with a kindly smile, after glancing at the high-stepper by the subaltern's side. "She used to be my sister."

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Walks Repay Effort

By Empyrean (Hongkong)

ONE of the most enjoyable Wongneichong Gap is round Mount Nicholson by Black's Link. It is a very suitable one for working off that Wongneichong Gap round the impressive rock formation of Mount Nicholson, and the gentler mass of Mount Cameron to Wanchai Gap. From here one can walk down a steep slope to Wanchai, or if desired, return to Wongneichong by Lady Clementi's Ride.

—Did Empyrean really walk round the gap?—LP.

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Strategy

HEARING that we were to be sent at short notice to France, four of us in our platoon took French leave and left the camp for a few hours to say goodbye to our families, writes a "rookie,"

At the London terminus we were caught by a ticket collector who wanted to see our rail vouchers, which, of course, we did not possess.

He was about to call the Military Police when a burly sergeant in another regiment stepped up and asked him what the trouble was and said he would put us under arrest.

Ordering us to fall in, he marched us through the barrier. Once out of sight of the ticket-collector he dismissed us and told us to buzz off.

We started to thank him, but he cut us short. "That's all right, chums. It was the only way I could get past the barrier myself. I hadn't got a rail voucher either."

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Peace in War Time

As Grosser Self and Better Self have never been great talkers (except when Grosser Self has had his third cocktail), we now have the perfect excuse for remaining completely silent in the presence of bores—writes Nat Gubbins in the "Sunday Express."

We shall take up the attitude that any remark of ours would be unpatriotic. Whatever we say might prove to be the embryo of a rumour which could easily be as big as an elephant at birth. We shall also refuse to offer our opinion on any aspect of the war in case we are accused of laughing at it.

So in future any fool who comes up to us and asks us silly questions like: "What do you think of it now?" or "Isn't this a funny war?" will get nothing but a penetrating glare from us. If he persists we shall threaten to inform the proper authorities that he is a rumour monger.

In this way we believe we shall find more peace in war time than we ever found in peace time. The constant threat of arrest under D.O.R.A. will gradually still the persistent buzzing of bores all over the country. Those who cannot exercise self-control will (we hope) be imprisoned. The rest must endure an agonized silence till the war is over.

The only thing we can think of in favour of Germany at the moment is that all the bores in the country have been silenced with the exception of the Big Four.

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min.	36.0	Max.	60.0
Same date, 1939	Min.	40.0	Max.	48.0

Rainfall nil.

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min.	29.5	Max.	62.5
Same date, 1939	Min.	40.1	Max.	47.8

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 2nd:—Pressure rather normal and steady over China, Korea and Japan. Fine and cold weather with fresh monsoon along the China Coast.

State on the morning of the 3rd:—Fine and cold weather with hoar frost. South-south-westerly breezes. Pressure rather normal and steady.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine, cold and hazy weather with strong south-westerly to north-westerly winds around Shantung, over our regions and the Eastern Sea.—Siccawei Observatory.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

TO ST. TICHON'S ORPHANAGE

In memory of Geoffrey Kindness:—

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Mortlock	$20.00

TO THE LITTLE SISTER OF THE POOR

In memory of Mr. J. R. Villas:—

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Ogilvie	$10.00

TO THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

In memory of Mr. J. R. Villas:—

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Carter	$10.00

TO THE I. C. MILK FUND

Anonymous	$30.00
Kurt Seidler	5.00
S. M. Joseph	20.00
Anonymous, in lieu of Sylvester party	5.00

TO THE EUROPEAN REFUGEE MATERNITY WARD

Jason J. Isaacs	$25.00
Mr. Tawil	25.00
J. R. Jacob	50.00
Mr. and Mrs. H. Kammerling	10.00
Ezra A. Toeg	20.00

TO THE MISSIONS TO SEAMEN

In memory of Captain L. R. Carrel:—

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Ogilvie	$20.00
Mr. and Mrs. C. F. D. Lowe	15.00
Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Riggs	20.00
M. O. Liddell	10.00
Bunny Warren	20.00
Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Mortlock	20.00
Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Lowder	50.00
Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Tingle	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Hans Berents	10.00
F. R. L. Carey	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Martin Little	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Roe	20.00

The I.R.A. Plot

The story that the recent raid upon the munitions depot in Phoenix Park, Dublin, was to have been a precursor of an offensive against Northern Ireland is as interesting as it is probable. There is every likelihood that the I.R.A., providing they feel themselves sufficiently strong, would embark upon an invasion of the northern countries loyal to the United Kingdom in an endeavour to bring about a United Ireland by right of conquest, and it is doubtful whether, if the Irish Republican Army could offer a subjugated North to it, the Government of the Free State would hesitate to accept it. Mr. de Valera has clearly stated his own intentions of remaining neutral in the present war, and to subject the British Empire to no inconvenience, but it remains to be seen if, despite the fact that he has declared the I.R.A. an illegal organization, he will be able to control it. There cannot, however, be the slightest doubt that if an attack were made upon Northern Ireland, whether by the I.R.A. or the forces of the Free State, should Mr. de Valera be so ill-advised as to embark upon one, it would be met not only with the resistance of Ulster, but with that of the rest of the United Kingdom. There never has been, and cannot be now any question of any weakening of the obligations which have arisen by reason of the loyalty of the northern Irish to the ideals of the United Kingdom, and while the necessity for it would be deplored, there is not the slightest doubt that the fullest military assistance would be rendered Northern Ireland for the purpose of preserving its integrity as a member of the British Commonwealth. It is reported that some of the munitions which were stolen in Dublin have been regained, but there is still sufficient missing to create quite a deal of trouble, though there can be no question, that if the I.R.A. do get out of hand, there are sufficient forces available to make sure that any *coup d'état* they may be contemplating will very speedily be reduced to a complete failure.

Real Soviet Offensive Not Yet Launched

Crack Russian Troops Already Massed for Big Drive on Mannerheim Line; Fierce Sporadic Engagements Continue; Finns Beat Off Reds

Helsinki, Jan. 3.

LATEST military dispatches show that while fierce local fighting continues, no co-ordinated offensive has yet been launched against the Mannerheim Line. Russian prisoners say part of the huge reserves recently brought up have been thrown into the battle on this front. This appears to be confirmed by the fact that many of the men killed or taken prisoner are younger and better clad and equipped than troops previously engaged.

On the Petsamo front the temperature, now about 40 degrees below zero, has almost completely paralysed operations. Dispatches from Rovaniemi say the Finns are still holding Kiantajaervi, where they inflicted a severe defeat on the Russians during the week-end. A communique issued here last night says while the day was relatively quiet on the Karelian Isthmus, fighting occurred at several points north of Lake Ladoga, Finnish troops improving their positions. In the direction of Lake Lavajaervi, the communique adds, the Russians attacked all day but were repulsed.

The battleship October Revolution bombarded Koivisto forts with little result, it is stated, while aircraft bombed Abo and Oulv. Seven Soviet planes are said to have been shot down during the day.—Reuter.

Salla Front Battle Expected

London, Jan. 3.

Reuter dispatches from Stockholm and Copenhagen agree that a great battle is about to be fought on the Salla front. Indeed, the latest news reaching Copenhagen from Helsinki states a battle is already raging.

Russian prisoners taken on the Karelian Isthmus say part of huge reserves is already in the battle on that front.

Finnish officers at Viborg believe the Russians must abandon plans to smash the Mannerheim Line for the present owing to a fierce blizzard raging on the Karelian Isthmus.—Reuter.

Crack Red Troops Massed

Viborg Jan. 3.

Reuter's special correspondent in the neighbourhood of Vitoksi, on the eastern side of the Karelian Isthmus, confirms that crack regiments from Central Russia are now in the Soviet front lines, facing the Mannerheim Line. These are really first-class troops, he says, well clothed and equipped with up-to-date gas masks on the German model.—Reuter.

Budenny May Take Charge

Paris, Jan. 3.

Reports are current here that Stalin has called on Marshal Budenny, head of the Red cavalry, to take charge of the war against Finland.

Marshal Budenny became an almost legendary figure in the U.S.S.R. for the success of his cavalry units against White Russian forces during the civil war, and later against the Poles. He was appointed to the command of the Moscow military district in 1935.

The military situation in Finland still favours the Finns, according to reports reaching well-informed circles in Paris. North of Lake Ladoga the Finns are following up their success to the west of Suomossalmi, collecting booty and taking prisoners. There is no confirmation of a report that the Finns had recaptured Potsamo. Soviet planes continue their bombing incursions over a wide area behind the Finnish lines.—Reuter.

Cold Immobilizes Reds

Stockholm, Jan. 2.

Ten thousand Red soldiers are concentrated along the extreme northern section of the Soviet-Finnish front and are forced to remain idle by a temperature of 40 degrees below zero, the "Evenska Dagbladet" reported today.

Other morning papers quote a report stating: "Finnish officers now say that the morale and equipment of the Soviet soldier is deplorable, although his armament is often excellent. Indeed, Soviet troops frequently have been found to be using Swedish weapons delivered to Poland. "Soviet tanks are useless against Finnish anti-tank guns."

The "Social Demokraten" stated the war is one of quality against quantity. The prestige of the Red Army, it added, has vanished like a mirage, and it is becoming known just how highly over-estimated the Soviet armed forces were. "The heroic resistance of the Finns is inspired by the courage of all the small States," it concluded.—Havas.

How Red Offensive Began

Stockholm, Jan. 3.

An American broadcasting announcer's reporting activities were partly responsible for the start of yesterday's attack by the Russians on the Mannerheim Line, according to the "Stockholm Tidningen." To provide "local colour" for a New Year's Eve broadcast the announcer placed the microphone near a Finnish battery, which obligingly fired a heavy salvo, says the newspaper. Soviet forces, believing the Finns were preparing to attack, thereupon opened an artillery barrage and themselves attacked.

A further batch of volunteers have left for Finland. With the New Year celebrations over, it is expected that the transport or volunteres will be considerably speeded up.—Reuter.

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Britain Approves Conscription

Contrast with Previous War Stressed; Many Men To Be Trained Overseas

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 3.

Large numbers of the 2,000,000 men due for calling-up in the next few months will be sent abroad for training, according to the "News Chronicle." Places chosen, the paper adds, include France, Africa and Palestine. Besides relieving billeting strain, the scheme will provide additional forces at strategic points.

Operation of the schedule of reserved occupations has been relaxed to permit men of, or above the age of reservation in certain occupations to volunteer for service in the forces or in the civil defence services, according to an announcement by the Ministry of Labour and National Service.

Men in occupations included in list No. 1 may volunteer for any branch of the defence services, but men in occupations in list No. 2 (including masons, bootrepairers, senior clerks, cooks, dock and harbour workers, lithographers) can be accepted for service only in their trade capacity.

A further relaxation of the schedule is also being made to permit recruitment irrespective of the ages of reservation of a large number of building and road-making operatives required by the British Expeditionary Force in France, and of certain classes of building operatives for full-time duties in the Air Raid Precaution and rescue services.

Conscription Approved

The Royal Proclamation notifying another 2,000,000 men of their liability for military service is generally welcomed, says a special commentary issued here.

The greatness of Britain's war effort, it is stated, disposes of German gibes that "Britain is willing to die to the last Frenchman."

Methodical calling up over a considerable period is said to be indicating British ability to utilize manpower to the maximum advantage of both industry and service, thus avoiding the waste and confusion which were so conspicuous in the last war, when acceptance of compulsory service was qualified by strong opposition and widespread misgivings, even after seventeen months of desperate campaigning. This time, however, the scheme is warmly approved by all sections of British opinion, the commentary adds.—Reuter.

France Delighted

Paris, Jan. 3.

The news of the British proclamation calling all men between the ages of nineteen and 28 to the Colours was received enthusiastically by Paris, and with notable joy by the newspaper "Le Matin," which declares: "It is a matter of two million men who, added to those actually in active service, will bring the number of British men in arms up to 2,700,000, as a New Year's gift the French Army could not expect anything more useful. Today Frenchmen mounting guard on the Rhine number millions and these men felt great joy at seeing near them soon British soldiers by the millions.—Havas.

Eight R.A.F. Members Decorated

Award of D.F.C. Given Five Squadron-Leaders

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 3.

Eight members of the Royal Air Force have received special recognition by the award of the D.F.C. (Distinguished Flying Cross) to five squadron-leaders and pilot-officers, and the D.F.M. (Distinguished Flying Medal) to three corporals leading aircraftsmen.

Recipients of the D.F.C. are: Squadron-leader J. P. Griffiths, born in Canada, whose formation successfully carried out a reconnaissance flight when it met with strong opposition and brought down five German warplanes; Squadron-leader H. Broadhurst, who, despite unfit weather, took off alone and, flying blind, successfully put out of action an approaching "enemy" aircraft which dived towards the sea while he himself narrowly escaped crashing into the sea; Pilot-officers K. N. Gray and F. H. Long, two young New Zealanders, pilot and navigator respectively, who were on a night reconnaissance flight through a snow storm when their machine became iced up and practically out of control, but they landed safely despite the storm; Pilot-officer S. R. Henderson, a Canadian, who encountered two German flying-boats, brought down the first, then silenced the fire of the second before exhausting his ammunition.—Reuter.

British Red Cross Gift to Turkish Red Cross

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 3.

The British Red Cross has offered the Turkish Red Cross a present of £1,000 for the relief of distress caused by floods and earthquake.—Reuter.

German Army Mission May Aid Russians

M. Stalin Reported To Have Asked Reich For 200,000 Experts

London, Jan. 3.

In response to an appeal from M. Josef Stalin, Germany has sent a military mission to Leningrad to aid the Russians to fight against the Finns, states the Amsterdam correspondent of the "News-Chronicle."

M. Stalin's request was for the assistance of the German officers who had fought with the Finns during the war of liberation in 1918 and these form the bulk of the mission, the correspondent adds. It is stated that the German War Office had considerable difficulty in persuading these men, who 21 years ago, fought beside Marshal Karl von Mannerheim (builder of the famous Mannerheim line and founder of the Finnish Army), now to turn against him.

If M. Stalin receives technical reinforcements from Germany, to help him in the war with Finland, it will not be the first time the Red Army has been stiffened with German military instructors, says Reuters military correspondent. In the pre-Hitler decade, thousands of professional German officers and non-commissioned officers were employed with the Soviet armies, but Herr Hitler recalled them when he rose to power. The "purge" of 1937, when M. Stalin removed or executed many of his own officers, arose partly from the influence exercised on their outlook by German training, the correspondent adds.—Reuter.

200,000 Technicians Wanted

Copenhagen, Jan. 2.

Twenty-one years of revolutionizing have helped Soviet Russia but little and today M. Josef Stalin is compelled to ask Herr Adolf Hitler for the aid of 200,000 expert German technicians to reorganize and re-plan Soviet economy and industry, the Berlin correspondent of the radical "Politiken" reported today.

Engineers and transport experts in particular are wanted by M. Stalin, who finds today that the Finnish campaign, expected to prove but a minor venture, has shown unbelievable breaks of organization in his vast land.

On their side, however, the Germans cannot decide whether they would be better off with a reorganized Russia or with a Russia disorganized as at present. If M. Josef Stalin does not get the German technical advice he needs, the "Politiken" correspondent pointed out, he would be unable to wage further warfare on any front. On the other hand, Germany needs an efficient Russia if she is to draw on Russian resources.

German political quarters, the "Politiken" added, declared that the Ogpu is causing a good deal of the disorganization in the U.S.S.R. They advocate measures to place it under control and, if German technicians are to be sent to Moscow, suggest these be placed in charge. The German experts would have to be given complete freedom of action in Russian economic life if they are sent as requested by M. Stalin, Berlin quarters add.

The "Politiken" correspondent remarks, however, that there is yet the difficulty of finding an extra 200,000 trained technical experts to send out of the Reich, which needs experienced, clever men itself.—Havas.

British Press Sceptical

London, Jan. 3.

The report that M. Stalin is to ask Herr Hitler for 200,000 German technicians to re-organize and re-plan Russia's industry and economy was the subject of considerable comment in the press here this morning, most of the papers believing it to be untrue.

It was stressed that Germany herself needs all her specialists, and that Soviet Russia's present situation is not so desperate as to make her openly admit her economic bankruptcy.

Some papers deviated slightly from the main subject and gave their opinion of the present relations between Berlin and Moscow. They stress that, contrary to the situation prevailing a month ago, M. Stalin now finds himself playing second fiddle to Her Hitler owing to the failure of his Finnish campaign. The Fuehrer, says the "Daily Herald," is fully aware that he is the senior partner and M. Stalin the junior. This situation has caused the Nazis to make it somewhat clearer to the Russians that they are expected to pay a higher price than they have paid so far for their share in Poland and the Baltic states.—Havas.

Nazis Not on Red Side

Berlin, Jan. 3.

Reports that Germany would fight on the Russian side if British troops appeared in Finland are entirely wrong, authoritative Nazi circles told the United Press today.

Commenting on an overseas report that an authoritative German source had said that if British Forces aid Finland Germany would fight for the Soviet, these sources said that the report "was absolutely a mistake. Nothing of the kind was ever said."

Authoritative circles today also denied Copenhagen reports that Russia had asked Germany to send "specialists" to the U.S.S.R.—United Press.

"War Against Boredom" Now in Full Swing on B.E.F. Western Front

Y.M.C.A. and Salvation Army Begin Organisation Of Canteens and Theatres for Tommies

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

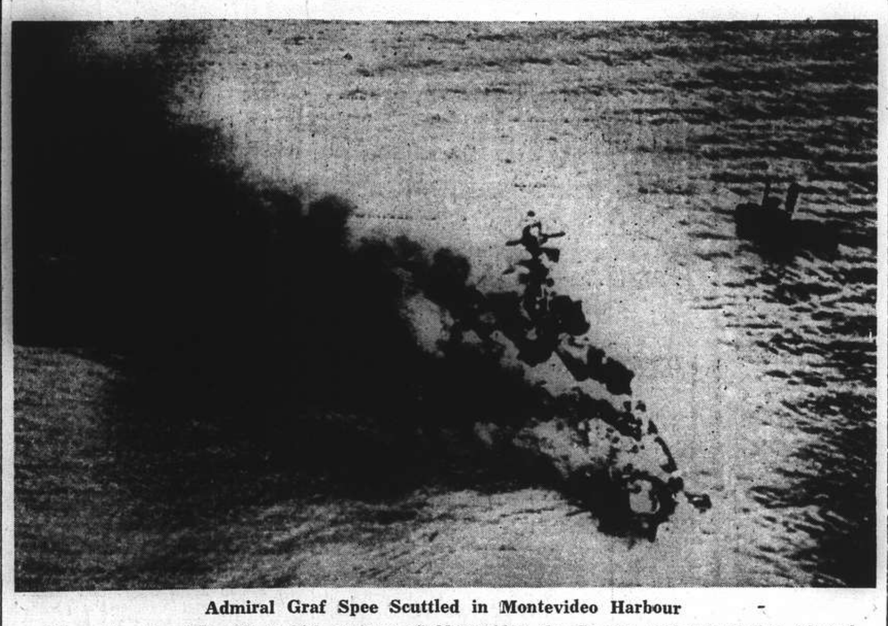
London, Jan. 3.

A great step forward in the "war against boredom," which the British Expeditionary Force is waging while active operations are delayed, has been taken by the decision of the military authorities that various social welfare organizations, such as the Salvation Army, the Young Men's Christian Association and the Church Army, may now go ahead with plans to provide canteens and social centres for troops in the British Zone, says Reuter's Special Correspondent with the British Expeditionary Force in France.

Interviewed by the correspondent, Mr. Oliver McCowen, organizing secretary of the Y.M.C.A., outlined plans to establish centres comprising recreation rooms, reading and writing rooms, concert halls and canteens, staffed by several hundred Y.M.C.A. workers, while a fleet of fifty large vans, fitted as travelling theatres and libraries combined, will visit isolated posts and units.

Col. Booth Davey, leader of the Salvation Army in the British Zone, said there would be S.A. centres in 24 towns, eleven of which would have sleeping accommodation for troops stranded in passing through, while six mobile canteens were coming from England next week. The S.A. wanted to provide ambulances for men on active service not only in the British Zone but also for the Royal Air Force and the French Armies.

The French military authorities, he added, had asked the S.A. to organize 600 canteens and recreation rooms behind the Maginot Line. The French would provide buildings, and the S.A. should furnish personnel.—Reuter.



Admiral Graf Spee Scuttled in Montevideo Harbour

Culminating the fight with British cruisers off Montevideo, the German pocket battleship Admiral Graf Spee entered port and left a few days later to be scuttled in the Rio de la Plata. Here the Graf Spee is shown in flames before she finally sank. This picture was radioed from Buenos Aires to New York and then across the continent to San Francisco by International Soundphoto, and reached Shanghai by fast steamer. Other pictures on Page 5.

More Shocks Renew Terror in Turkish 'Quake Zones

Floods Become Raging Torrents Ravaging Areas Ruined by Tremors; Survivors Tell of Horrors

Ankara, Jan. 3.

THE earthquake which racked Anatolia has not spent its full force for another strong tremor was felt yesterday between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. west of Erzincan, which was devastated by the first 'quakes. Ninety-seven houses were destroyed and 67 damaged by the tremor, which was felt in nine villages. No lives are believed to have been lost.

Another tremor was reported at Tchankere between 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. No details are as yet available of the extent of the damage, but it is thought that there were no human losses.

Roaring torrents of water brought floods to western Anatolia for the new year and more than 1,000 people have been drowned, latest reports here stated. The Izmir region was first to go under water and yesterday the whole of the western territory of Anatolia was covered with swirling corpse-dotted water.

A large number of villages, including Mustafa Kemal Pasha, named after the late President, have all their houses flooded with only the roofs visible. On the roofs cling the miserable survivors, hungry and thirsty, uncertain of the future.

The floods are more serious than was at first thought for torrents have broken bounds and raced across the Lamanisa, Menemen and Amatya plains, cutting rail, road, telegraph and telephone communications, demolishing buildings and ruining farms.

The first train carrying survivors of the Erzincan earthquake zones arrived in Ankara on Monday night. Those on board had harrowing tales to tell of the sudden tremors, the crashing of houses, of fire and fear, and of a whole night without help, food or water while rescuers organized relief.

Turkish city quarters also commented bitterly today on Soviet Russia's forgetfulness in this moment of national sorrow. Moscow has voiced neither condolences nor any desire to help, as have Britain and France, they pointed out, although the Kremlin for long has been the self-avowed friend of Ankara.—Havas.

Torrents Break Dams

Istanbul, Jan. 3.

Torrents sweeping through the Kemal Pasha region of Western Anatolia, where dams gave way yesterday, are reported to have destroyed 400 houses and caused more than 700 deaths. Floods also continue to devastate large areas of the Brusa plains, south of Istanbul.—Reuter.

Ravages Described

Ankara, Jan. 3.

The first rescue train, bearing 100 injured, arrived here yesterday from Erzincan. An officer of the Erzincan garrison estimated that 98 per cent. of the population of Erzincan perished. "Most of the officers and men of the garrison lost their lives," he declared, only those who were on sentry duty at the time of the quake escaped. "I saw indescribable scenes of horror. A young woman covered her baby with her night gown and ran sobbing up a mountainside. A great number committed suicide after witnessing the deaths of all their relations."

At Erzincan survivors are still living in the streets. Many people were burying relations with their own hands, but the large number of bodies everywhere was arousing fears of epidemics. It was believed that some were still alive under the ruins. Four persons were saved yesterday after eating earth to keep alive.—United Press.

Missionary Killed In Air Raid

Norwegian Member of C.I.M. Victim of Japanese Bombs In Hochu, Shansi

Chungking, Jan. 3.

Word has just been received here that a Norwegian missionary, Mr. P. Torjesen, of the China Inland Mission, was killed on December 13 during a Japanese air raid on Hochu, in north-west Shansi.

The report came from the Shansi provincial government, which based it upon information supplied by a Chinese pastor, Mr. Jen Chi-ching, of Paoteh, south of Hochu.

The China Inland Mission here has received no confirmation direct from Shansi, but it has been informed of the death of the missionary by Mr. Arnold Vaught, connected with the American Relief Fund Committee in Chungking, who has received a telegram on the subject from Shansi.

The report of the Shansi government, dated December 24, says that 34 Japanese aircraft bombed Hochu on December 13, completely demolishing a mission in the southern suburbs of the town.

A Norwegian missionary, it adds, was killed. His Chinese name was given as "Yeh Yung-ching," and his age 44.

The missionary is said to have come to China over ten years ago, and to have enjoyed the friendship and respect of the local Chinese community.

Lanchow Mission Damaged

A bomb landed next to the China Inland Mission compound at Lanchow, capital of Kansu, during a Japanese air raid on December 26, littering the compound with debris and breaking windows, declared Dr. F. H. Judd, of the China Inland Mission, in an interview on his arrival here yesterday by air from Lanchow after a tour of inspection of mission hospitals in China.

Japanese aircraft, according to Dr. Judd, raided Lanchow three days in succession, starting from Boxing Day, when the Chinese claimed that three Japanese bombers were shot down in an aerial battle above the city.

The raiders came in flights numbering usually 36 or 27 'planes. On the first day, four waves of raiders attacked the city, and on succeeding days three each.

Casualties Slight

The casualties as a result of the raids, however, were surprisingly low, as the people, long forewarned, had evacuated to the hills, sheltering in caves.

On the first two days, the Japanese showered the inner city of Lanchow with incendiary bombs, starting no less than 13 fires.

Although no foreigners were hurt, a bomb landed next to the China Inland Mission compound, but it did not explode.

Dr. Judd is now returning to Shanghai to attend a mission conference. He has completely recovered from the injury sustained in a bad accident which befell him a couple of months ago while travelling by bus to Lanchow.—Reuter.

Chinese Seamen Leave Buenos Aires

Buenos Aires, Jan. 3.

The 108 Chinese seamen who arrived here aboard several German ships last month and refused to continue their voyage because of the European war, were placed aboard the Italian liner Oceania bound for Italy yesterday. The seamen will return to China from Italy.—United Press.

New Wave of Arrests in Moravia, Bohemia

Four Generals, Many Officers, Among Those Held

London, Jan. 3.

A new wave of arrests recently swept over the Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia, the Belgrade correspondent of "The Times" learns from Prague.

Four generals and a large group of army officers living in Moravia, the correspondent reports, were among those taken into custody.

The entire staff of the foreign correspondence section of the Skoda works (famous Czech arsenal) was held in custody for investigation. There were also arrests in the recently-formed government troops.

Two journalists were arrested in their offices and the Gestapo (German secret police) raided the illegal paper "Il Boj" (To Arms). It is believed that several editorial collaborators were killed.

Prague prisons are still full and the Karlovo and Namesti dungeons, which used to be shown to tourists as examples of mediaeval barbarism, are now in use, "The Times" correspondent adds.—Reuter.

Japanese Sailors Resist Arrest at Davao

Manila, Jan. 3.

Japanese sailors on the Takao Maru disarmed a customs officer and attempted to throw another overboard when the officers attempted to arrest them for smuggling Japanese wine into Davao, the "Manila Bulletin" reported today. The newspaper said that a complaint would probably be filed against the sailors.—United Press.

U.S. Protests to Great Britain

British Censorship of American Mail Brings Vigorous Demarche

Washington, Jan. 3.

The United States vigorously protested to Britain against interference of American mails on the high seas, the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, announced last night.

The United States, Mr. Hull disclosed, protested against British interference with 1,754 sacks of mail aboard the ships Black Gull, Zaandam, Black Tern and Astrid Thornden. The action, he said, was "believed to be a clear violation of the immunity provided at the Eleventh Hague Convention" which stipulated that postal correspondence of neutrals or belligerents was not to be violated on the high seas.

The United States Embassy in London was instructed to protest on December 22, Mr. Hull said. The protest cited specific instances in which British authorities seized mail on board American and other neutral ships, some of which were addressed to Germany.

In addition, Mr. Hull said, "there have been many individual instances of British censorship of American mails." The United States "readily admits the right of the British Government to censor private mails originating or destined to the United Kingdom or....which normally pass through the United Kingdom for transmission to their final destination," Mr. Hull declared.

But, the Secretary of State continued, "we cannot admit the right of British authorities to interfere with American mails on American or other neutral ships, nor....the right of the British Government to censor mail on ships which involuntarily enter English ports."

Mr. Hull concluded with the hope that the State Department would "receive early assurances" that interference with American mails had been discontinued.—United Press.

Protest Being Studied

London, Jan. 3.

The United States' protest regarding the searching of American mail by Britain is "under careful consideration" and will be answered in due course, it was officially announced last night.—United Press.

Compulsory Labour Service in Sweden

Stockholm, Jan. 3.

A bill authorizing compulsory labour service was passed today by the Riksdag. Labour may be recruited under the new law for the maintenance of defence services, transport and essential services.—Reuter.

Germany's Exceptional Difficulties in Finding Sufficient Food Revealed

Fat Production Proves Greatest Problem; Polish Resources Fully Tapped; Ersatz Reaching Limits

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Amsterdam, Jan. 3.

A comprehensve review of Germany's food problems is given the "Neieuwe Rotterdamsche Courant" from Berlin. The writer assesses German self-sufficiency in foodstuffs between 70 and 80 per cent., except in fats which is said to be 50 per cent.

The deficiency is normally made up by imports, he says. Sufficient stocks, he continues, were accumulated to last twelve or eighteen months, but the fat problem was critical. Desperate efforts, the writer claims, are being made to produce fats from coal, but these are only usable for technical purposes, with a view to releasing edible fats for human consumption.

Possibilities of grapestones, beechnuts and horse-chestnuts are being explored but the situation appears to be very difficult. Rationing is most severe, and the effects of the foot and mouth disease are being felt.

By the importation of fodder from Soviet Russia, says the writer, it is hoped to increase the number of pigs in Germany. Sea-fishing is said to have been reduced to a minimum. The situation regarding leguminous plants, like peas, is reported to be very unsatisfactory. The total crop of Germany proper last year produced only 624,000 tons, the writer adds.

In addition, the canning industry is suffering a shortage of tin for cans.

The Polish territories, the writer declares, are expected to make up the general deficit, particularly in grain, meat and eggs, but little butter can be hoped to be exported from the area.

The grain situation, the writer concludes, is generally good, and the position regarding potatoes is also not unsatisfactory as only 25 per cent. of the total crop is needed for human consumption, though this percentage is expected to increase considerably on account of the shortage of other commodities, and a special reserve of 2,000,000 tons is being laid aside.—Reuter.

Three R.A.F. Bombers Combat Twelve Nazi Fighters

Fierce Encounter on Heligoland Raid Described; Three Messerschmidts Shot Down; One Bomber Safe

London, Jan. 3.

A GERMAN aeroplane which reached the Shetland Islands yesterday made off when British fighters took to the air. Visibility was poor at the time and the German plane did not drop any bombs. No air raid warning was sounded.

A fierce encounter between three R.A.F. bombers and twelve Nazi fighting planes near the German coast yesterday is described in an Air Ministry bulletin issued last night. "There has been extensive air activity over North Sea today in the neighbourhood of the German coast," says the communique. "During the afternoon a formation of three R.A.F. bombers encountered a squadron of twelve Messerschmidt long-range fighters, well out at sea. The formation, although heavily outnumbered, gave battle to the enemy.

"One Messerschmidt was shot down in flames and two others were driven down and are likely to have been lost. One of the three bombers returned safely, a second was shot down during the encounter and the third is missing," the communique adds.

The pilot of the third machine said: "We were going south when, suddenly, the look-out man shouted 'fighters.' Almost before he had given the warning, I saw streams of white tracer bullets flashing past on the port side. I then realized this was a serious battle. We had not seen the enemy because they came straight out of the sun. The first burst of enemy fire penetrated our fuselage but with no material damage. We found ourselves fighting twelve enemy planes. More bullets entered our aircraft and some missed us only by a few inches."

Six Messerschmidts, it is learned, massed for three dual attacks upon the bomber which escaped after bringing down two of its attackers.—Reuter.

Marshal Goering's "Revolt"

An important German industrialist who has just returned from Berlin states that Hitler has ordered Field-Marshal Hermann Goering, the Reich Air Minister, to make a tremendous mass air attack on England, reports the Budapest correspondent of the "News-Chronicle." Field-Marshal Goering's closest friends say he has replied that he will do so only upon the Fuehrer's written order. Upon receipt of this, he will command the leading squadron himself, but he refuses to take responsibility for ordering what is considered to be a terrible catastrophe for Germany.

This, says the correspondent, is apparently the cause of Field-Marshal Goering's retirement to his own estate and the break between him and other Nazi leaders, reported by many neutral observers from Berlin.—Reuter.

German Tribute to R.A.F.

Berlin, Jan. 3.

The Berlin newspaper, "B. Z. am Mittag," today pays the following tribute to the Royal Air Force: "The German air force, and the German people too, acknowledge the courage of British airmen, who have once again tried to attack German anti-aircraft defences and reach Heligoland Bight, which is a wall of death for British planes."—Reuter.

Details of Heligoland Fight

London, Jan. 3.

New details learned today further clarify the account of the thrilling air battle north-west of Heligoland.

The three British heavy bombers had left their base on patrol searching for German war-ships. Suddenly, at a point about 80 miles from Heligoland and about 80 miles north of Borkum, they were sighted by a flight of twelve Messerschmidts, who immediately attacked them.

The third British plane came home safely, but only after an exciting chase. To escape his assailants, the pilot was forced to dive from a height of 10,000 feet to about 20 feet above the surface of the water. He maintained this altitude for a half hour. In the flight homewards, the rear gunner of the bomber accounted for one Nazi plane, and the foreward gunner for one more.—Havas.

German Communique

Berlin, Jan. 3.

During reconnaissance flights over the German coast on December 31, British planes flew over Netherlands territory, according to a German high command communique yesterday.

German planes reconnoitred over the Shetland and Orkney Islands and returned "after good results" yesterday, the communique claimed. British defence planes, which were numerically superior, were left behind by the speedier German planes 200 kilometres off the Scottish coast, it was said. One German plane was forced to land in the sea due to engine trouble, the communique stated and one British plane was badly damaged in the encounter.

"On the Western Front only weak and intermittent artillery fire took place," the German communique said.

Three Royal Air Force bombers were shot down by German pursuit planes yesterday when they attempted to penetrate the German Bight (Heligoland Bay) yesterday afternoon, it was officially announced last night.—United Press.

Nazi Naval Boasts Refuted

Exaggerated Claims Exposed in London; Berlin Issues Book

London, Jan. 3.

The German boast that more than 1,000,000 tons of Allied and neutral shipping have been sunk is the usual exaggeration, declares a special commentary issued here today.

While the average weekly loss of British tonnage in the first sixteen weeks of the war was 25,500 tons, it is pointed out, the increase by new construction and otherwise amounted to an average of 25,000 tons a week.

Total losses up to the end of 1939 are said to have been as follows: seventeen naval vessels, including eight warships with a total displacement of 58,120 tons and nine chartered vessels, namely the Rawalpindi and eight trawlers and drifters with a total gross tonnage of 19,000 tons; 117 British, twelve Allied and 81 neutral merchant ships with a total gross tonnage of 421,104, 70,101 and 243,222 tons respectively.

It is misleading to add gross and displacement tonnage.

Neutrals will doubtless note the German boast of the destruction of defenceless merchant vessels, the commentary concludes.—Reuter.

German Naval Handbook

Berlin, Jan. 3.

The 1940 edition of Germany's naval handbook, "Weyer," was issued yesterday, but did not mention either Germany's losses since the beginning of the war nor the number of new ships Germany is now building. The book, however, recorded the losses inflicted upon Britain up to the date the book went to press.

The handbook admitted that only 42 German U-boats were in service in September, but appended the comment that "during 1939 many more submarines were completed."

The handbook claimed that the British battleships Royal Oak and Courageous were sunk. It said that the following British warships were damaged: the Hood, Repulse, Iron Duke, Ark Royal, Edinburg, Southampton, and the Mohawk.—United Press.

Nazi Ship Held Up in Santos

Santos, Brazil, Jan. 2.

The German motor-vessel Windhuk, 16,662 tons, of the Woermann Line, which has been making preparations to make a dash for Germany, has been forbidden to sail from the port.

Authority for the ship to leave was withheld following a request by Messrs. Dreyfus & Company, of London, based on the refusal of the vessel to unload 274 bales of wool which were embarked at Port Elizabeth, South Africa, before the war.

All shipping documents necessary to compel the captain of the Windhuk, who is reported to be ill aboard, to unload the cargo at Santos are expected to arrive on Thursday.

The Windhuk is loaded with 450 tons of oil.—Reuter.

Germany Protests to Uruguay

Berlin, Jan. 3.

The German Ambassador in Montevideo has protested to the Uruguayan Government against the interment of the freighter Tacoma, according to the German news agency. The Tacoma (8,268 tons) of the Hamburg-Amerika line, was interned on Monday when she failed to leave Montevideo within the time set by the Uruguayan authorities. The action was taken on the ground the Tacoma had intervened in the Admiral Graf Spee engagement as an auxiliary unit of the German Navy.—Reuter.

Nazi Warship Fetches Dead

Stockholm, Jan. 3.

A German war-ship today entered the Swedish port of Tralleborg, under special permission from the Swedish authorities, and picked up the bodies of the two German seamen who lost their lives when their ship, a mine-sweeper, sank. The German crew and the two Swedish pilots who participated in the rescue took part in the ceremonies at the dock.

The Lars Magnus Trozelli, 1,951-ton Swedish steamer, struck a mine and sank off the east coast of England a few days ago, it was reported yesterday. Most members of the crew were rescued by a Norwegian vessel near the scene of the tragedy.

The German ship Johann Schute, which lost her propeller and whose crew was taken off by a Norwegian steamer, was driven by currents onto rocks. She is believed to be a total loss.—Havas.

Spanish Survivors Landed

Dakar, Jan. 2.

Survivors of the Spanish 12,000-ton steamer Cabo San Antonio, which went up in flames last Saturday off Cape Verde, were landed here by a French destroyer today. The survivors number more than 200 persons.—Havas.

U.S. Public Enemy No. 1 Gets 14 Years

New York, Jan. 3.

Louis Lepke Buchalter, who rose from push-cart thief to a millionaire "rackets" leader, was sentenced to 14 years in prison yesterday. He was also placed on probation for 19 additional years on ten indictments charging him with violation of the narcotics law. Until his arrest, Buchalter was known as "Public Enemy No. 1" in the list of notorious criminals compiled by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.—United Press.

U.S. Congress to Face Big Issues

President Roosevelt's Speech May Reveal His Election Programme

Washington, Jan. 3.

European wars overshadow the Congress session opening tomorrow, when the Government is expected to seek approval for another record fund for national defence.

President Roosevelt's annual message at the opening of Congress, it is predicted, will be devoted primarily to the need for stronger defences in view of world conditions. The President will probably recommend an outlay of more than $2,000,000,000,000 for the Army and Navy for the year beginning July 1. He may also ask for greater national unity and less partisanship so that American may present a united front in world peace efforts.

The fact that this is election year lends unusual interest to the President's intentions regarding the federal budget in other directions than national defence. Mr. Roosevelt is reported to be planning a substantial reduction in other governmental expenses, to compensate partially for the heavy cost of defence.

No startling legislative innovations are expected, but a major battle looms over the continuance of the Administration's reciprocal trade programme, which is due to expire on July 12.

Few, if any, alterations are contemplated in the Neutrality Act, unless special legislation regarding Japan is sought.

The session will provide a sounding board for a number of active or potential presidential candidates. President Roosevelt himself still maintains silence about his intentions regarding a third term of office.—Reuter.

Mr. Hull Issues Denial

Washington, Jan. 2.

Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, today formally denied any personal ambitions to become President of the United States and stated there is no basis for reports alleging that President Roosevelt has chosen him as Presidential successor.—Havas.

Possible Statement on Far East

Washington, Jan. 3.

President Roosevelt's message on the state of the union was being waited on by observers of oriental affairs today for hints of the Government's attitude toward Japan.

The press has been critical of Japan either directly or by implication in their editorials recently.

The "Baltimore Sun" published a resumé of Japan's 30-month campaign in China, saying that "Japanese operations in China have been sporadic and unspectacular during the last twelve months. Indications that Tokyo is seeking to save face and escape from continuing large-scale warfare have multiplied."

The Washington "Times-Herald" republished a New York "News" editorial which said that the chief enemy of the United States is Japan whose military rulers wish to eject the white man from Asia. The editorial urges the United States to apply the "squeeze" when the trade pact with Japan expires this month.

The possibilities of anti-Japanese action are numerous as a result of the sizable number of bills and resolutions pending in Congress to penalize Japan.

In view of the recent demands on Tokyo of the State Department, however, leaders in Congress appeared disposed to withhold action, at least temporarily, until they could ascertain the results of diplomatic negotiations at Tokyo.—United Press.

New Zealand Troops Parade in Cities

Governor-General Praises Loyalty to Empire

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Wellington, Jan. 3.

Inspiring scenes and tremendous enthusiasm, reminiscent of 1914, occurred at Wellington, Christchurch and Auckland today, when huge crowds witnessed parades of New Zealand soldiers. The splendid bearing of the troops bore testimony to the excellent results of the short training they had undergone.

Addressing the troops at Wellington, the Governor-General, Viscount Galway, said: "If we are to retain our independence and liberty, personal sacrifice is required of every individual man and woman of the Empire. The danger threatening us is so real that every fit man in every part of the Empire should be trained and made ready for service. The unselfish action of those who have volunteered is another proof of New Zealand's loyalty to the Empire."

Mr. M. J. Savage, the Prime Minister, declared that "equality of sacrifice" would not be an empty phrase. Those staying at home would do their part. Those taking part in organizing the productivity of the nation had an equal task to perform to those in the trenches. They may be called to make equal sacrifices, however difficult they may appear at the moment.

Good wishes to the troops were also extended by the leader of the Opposition, Mr. Hamilton.—Reuter.

How B.E.F. Came to French Front

Total of 174 Ships Made 400 Trips for Transport

London, Jan. 2.

No less than 174 vessels of all sizes and types made 400 trips to carry the British Expeditionary Force and its equipment from Britain to France, the Merchant Marine Minister, Sir John Gilmour, disclosed today.

Plans prepared in advance were used to the best advantage, he added.

"Transport of troops," he pointed out, "had to begin only four days after the decision was taken to send an expeditionary corps to France. It was therefore necessary, on the shortest notice, to requisition and adapt all the necessary ships."

Sir John Gilmour, in conclusion, highly praised dockers, men of the merchant fleet and the various harbour authorities for the very competent and willing manner in which they co-operated, working day and night, to assure the full success of the gigantic transportation scheme.—Reuter.

U.S. Writer Foresees Purges in Reich

New York, Jan. 3.

Prediction that 1940 will bring purges in Germany is made today by Miss Dorothy Thompson, "Herald Tribune" columnist.

She forecasts that Herr von Ribbentrop, Reich Foreign Minister, will be among the casualties. She also forecasts that the Nazi regime will encounter the strongest opposition from women and farmers during the present year.—Reuter.

British Envoy in Moscow Leaves

Sir William Seeds May Not Return to Russia; Speculation on Move

Moscow, Jan. 3.

Sir William Seeds, the British Ambassador to Soviet Russia, left Moscow by the 10.30 p.m. train last night on his way back to England on furlough. He was accompanied by Lady Seeds. They will travel by way of Rumania, Yugoslavia and Italy.

M. Paul-Emile Naggiar, the French Ambassador, was represented at the railway station by the French charge and several other officials of the French Embassy. Also present to see Sir William off was the Turkish Ambassador, M. Zekai Apaydin.

It is announced that the Italian Ambassador, Signor Augusto Rosso, will leave Moscow tomorrow night for Italy to spend a holiday.—Havas.

Speculation in Britain

London, Jan. 2.

A great deal of speculation was roused in British political quarters today by the announcement that Sir William Seeds will be returning from Moscow on five weeks' furlough.

British observers said the problem is whether he will go back to his post after his holiday. Circumstances will not permit him to resume his duties in Moscow, most observers stated, but Anglo-Russian relations would not be broken off as the Charge d'Affaires is still in Moscow.

The attitude adopted now by the Soviet press and radio is said here to be unlikely to contribute in any way to easier relations between the two countries. Britain, furthermore, feels morally bound to help Finland and will do so "regardless of the consequences," the same observers declared.

"It is up to Soviet Russia to restore normal diplomatic relations by ceasing her aggression," one leading observer said, "and by recalling her troops from Finland."

British quarters remarked on the fact that Sir William Seeds' return on furlough coincides with the recall of Signor Augusto Rosso, the Italian Ambassador, "for a rest."—Havas.

Merchant Sailors Foil U-Boat Attacks

Seamen Presented with New Year Gifts

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 3.

Sir R. Ropner & Co., Ltd., shipowners of West Hartlepool, have presented New Year gifts to the masters and twelve other members of the crews of the steamers Stonepool (4,803 tons) and Rockpool (4,892 tons), in recognition of their gallantry displayed in thwarting German submarines.

In letters to Captain Harland, of the Rockpool, and Captain White, of the Stonepool, the directors of the company describe the gifts as a memento of gallant action against U-boats, and express thanks and congratulations for the very excellent services rendered not only to the firm but to the nation.—Reuter.

Athenia Crew Members Decorated

Efficiency and Coolness in Circumstances Recognized

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 3.

The Chief officer of the Athenia, Mr. Barnett Mackenzie Copeland, has been awarded the O.B.E. (Officer of the Order of the British Empire) and Boatswain William Harvey the Meritorious Service Medal, for their services when the liner was torpedoed by a submarine on September 4, 1939.

An official account states that Mr. Copeland was responsible for loading and getting away 26 boats of survivors, and the fact that this was done in darkness without a hitch or loss reflects great credit on his powers of organization and command.

After being taken aboard a warship, Mr. Copeland returned to the sinking liner to rescue an unconscious woman left in the sick-bay.

Mr. Harvey showed outstanding coolness and efficiency. He accompanied Mr. Copeland in returning to the Athenia to save the woman in the sick-bay.—Reuter.

Canadian Smelting Works Saved

Police Foil Plot to Wreck Plant by Enemy Aliens

Vancouver, B.C., Jan. 3.

The police announced today that they had frustrated an alleged plot to wreck the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Plant at Trail, B.C. The plant is the largest in the British Empire and furnishes Britain with the majority of the metal it produces.

Canadian industries were warned to take "all possible precautions against sabotage" after the police announcement.

Three enemy aliens were arrested and taken to Calgary for questioning by the police as a result of the alleged sabotage attempt at Trail.

Military authorities said that the plot was discovered through the seizure of correspondence. — United Press.

Japan's Finances Keep Sound

Nation Called Upon to Co-operate During This Year by Minister

Tokyo, Jan. 3.

Japan's financial and economic conditions remained stable during 1939, despite complications resulting from the war in Europe, Mr. Kazuo Aoki, Finance Minister, declared today in summarizing the nation's financial affairs during the past year.

He noted, however, certain harmful tendencies which he said must be combatted during the next 12 months. Commodity prices, he continued, remained one of the nation's biggest economic problems. Government efforts alone, he declared, were insufficient for an adequate solution, and the public must realize its responsibility and offer all possible co-operation to bring about a stabilization of prices.

Budget estimates for 1940-41, the Finance Minister observed, exceeded budget figures for the current year, despite the Government's efforts to curtail expenditures.

A revision of the taxation system, he added, would bring in additional revenue, but part of this money would be used to put the reforms into operation.

Bonds Absorbed

About 87 per cent. of the bonds issued by the Government last year were absorbed, he pointed out. While this was satisfactory, Mr. Aoki said, it would be necessary to increase the absorption of bonds this year.

Foreign trade showed an improvement over the previous year, he said, but the balance between exports and imports with nations outside the yen bloc was unfavourable.

Total exports up to December 25, 1939, amounted to Y.3,700,000,000, an increase of 34 per cent., while imports amounted to Y.2,900,000,000, an increase of 10 per cent.

Exports to countries outside the yen bloc, Mr. Aoki said, were valued at Y.1,730,000,000, an increase of 19 per cent. compared with the previous year.—Domei.

THE CINEMA

"Busman's Honeymoon"

Mr. Puffett	Ernest Baker
Bunter	Machael Skinner
Mrs. Ruddle	Pat Merritt
Harriet	Pat Cobbett
Lord Peter Wimsey	John Greenway
Miss Twitterton	May Pecaric
Frank Crutchley	Donald Macalister
Rev. Simon Goodacre	Bill Pettitt
Mr. Mcebride	Ivor Owen
Constable Sellon	R. Spivey
Superintendent Kirk	Arnold Dixon
George	George Spunt
Bill	Ivor Owen
Stage Manager	Philip Edwards
Properties	Cappy Holt
Prompter	Kitty Sharp

A little patience well rewards the audience of "Busman's Honeymoon," which was presented last night at the Lyceum Theatre by the Amateur Dramatic Club. Patience is required in the first act of this murder mystery by Dorothy Sayers and St. Clare Byrne, during which the characters are assembled and the clues laid which are to prove so important in the final scenes. The lines are fairly bright and help to keep things going despite an absence of absorbing action until the plot is sufficiently developed to hold attention by itself. After that first act things move more swiftly towards the climax which, thanks to good acting and direction, is really exciting. The comedy lies chiefly in sharply contrasting characters such as a garrulous old woman servant and an exceedingly dignified gentleman's gentleman, in verbal conflict.

The cast of thirteen all contributed well to the general effect, but the most successful characters were probably Mrs. Ruddle, played by Pat Merritt, Frank Crutchley, played by Donald Macalister and the Rev. Simon Goodacre, taken to perfection by Bill Pettitt. Mrs. Ruddle brightened up the atmosphere considerably with her outspoken tone and made unusually good use of her lines while Frank Crutchley also proved very effective for much the same reason, his sullen worrying about the money he lost having the ring of reality about it. As for the Rev. Simon Goodacre, he managed very well to impart a tone of piety to his lines and movements. Mr. Puffett, played by Ernest Baker, provided more comedy than the others and was an asset to every scene in which he appeared, while Bunter was made a more than adequate butler by Michael Skinner. His dignity could only be ruffled by careless treatment of vintage port and the ruffling was exceedingly well done.

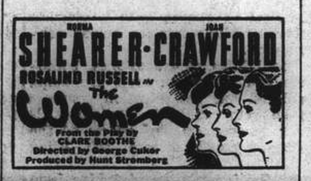
The honeymoon couple were at their best towards the end of the play as leaders of the detective work, Pat Cobbett showing an excellent stage presence and timed her illness well, while His Lordship, John Greenway, was more interesting as a sleuth than as a Romeo. Of course Miss Twitterton was one of the most delightful characters of the play with May Pecaric playing the prim, fussy, awkward little part. Her violent scene with Crutchley made the audience sit up and was a credit to both. Then there was Superintendent Kirk ably played by Arnold Dixon. On the whole, it is an entertaining little play, once the earlier stages are completed, thanks largely to F. G. Gmehling who produced it.—R.R.R.

British Ambassador Goes To Chungking

Hongkong, Jan. 3.

Sir Archibald Kerr, British Ambassador to China, and his party, who arrived here yesterday, are expected to leave for Chungking tonight.

In Chungking, the Ambassador, it is understood, will meet his American and French Colleagues, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson and M. Henri Cosme, for important discussions.—Reuter.



London Disbelieves Red Threat to India

London, Jan. 3.

It is authoritatively stated in London that official circles attach no credence whatever to the rumours, given out in certain foreign broadcasts, of Russian troop concentrations on the borders of Afghanistan. The Afghan Government has officially denied there has been any mobilization of its armed forces, and nothing whatever is known of any mobilization in Iran.—Reuter.

Phoenix Park Raid Described

Daring I.R.A. Hold-up Of Fortress Sentries Revealed in Court

Dublin, Jan. 3.

About 2½ tons of ammunition, believed to be part of the huge quantity stolen from the magazine fort in Phoenix Park on Christmas Eve, were discovered today by the police of Northern Ireland. They were hidden in a field. The total recovered is now approximately 23 tons, out of a total of 28 tons stolen.

As a sequel to the theft, seven men were charged in the Dublin District Court yesterday with breaking and entering the fort in Phoenix Park.

The court precincts were strongly guarded by police during the hearing.

The prosecution stated during the night of December 23 the bell rang at the fort and a corporal saw a man outside the iron-barred gate with a parcel balanced on the handlebars of a bicycle. The man suddenly presented a revolver at the corporal's chest saying: "Stick them up or I will blow your brains out."

Three or four men who had been hiding then rushed forward, made a prisoner of the corporal and marched him to the guard room. On the way they adopted similar tactics with a private soldier. Other members of the guard, found sitting round a fire, were held up in the same way.

Meanwhile a number of men had followed the first party of raiders into the fort. When the captain in charge, who had been out, returned to the fort, he was also made prisoner. Cars or lorries were then driven into the fort and the ammunition taken away.

Telephone wires from the fort to the barracks had been cut, the prosecution also alleged.

The hearing was adjourned.—Reuter.

Policeman Gives Alarm

Dublin, Jan. 2.

The raiders were discovered by a passing policeman, however, and when he gave the alarm, patrols rushed over from the barracks to surprise the raiders in the act of loading ammunition and small arms into four waiting lorries.

Seven of the men were captured together with a quantity of arms and munitions. The rest escaped and are at large, although a good portion of the munitions they took with them has been recovered.—Havas.

Guerillas in Kiangsi Being Attacked

Japanese Operations on Kiukiang Railway

Nanchang, Jan. 3.

In a move to crush guerilla activities in the regions along the Kan River and the Kiukiang-Changsha railway line, Japanese forces began mopping-up operations on New Year's Day.

Remnants of the Chinese 108th Division and the Reserve 9th Division on the summit of Hsishan (West Mountain) between Nanchang and Fengsin were surrounded, five Japanese detachments advancing up the slope on the south and six other units on the east side.

Meantime, two other detachments advanced down the Kan River, crushing Chinese stragglers along the way. Three other detachments attacked troops of the Chinese Reserve 5th Division on the Kiukiang-Changsha railway line.—Domei.

Miss Unity Mitford Arrives at Calais

English Friend of Fuehrer Has Serious Wound in Head

London, Jan. 3.

With a very serious wound in her head, Miss Unity Mitford, 26-year-old daughter of Lord Redesdale, who has been in Munich since the outbreak of war, arrived in Calais today en route to England. She could walk only with difficulty.

Herr Hitler, it is understood, personally ordered the arrangements which resulted in Miss Mitford being brought from Germany.

A former personal friend of Herr Hitler, Miss Mitford had been a keen supporter of the Nazi movement for a number of years. She went to Germany shortly before the war, and early in September reports were received that she had been involved in a serious accident and was in hospital at Munich. Her sister, Diana, is married to Sir Oswald Mosley, leader of the Fascist movement in Great Britain.—Reuter.

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One Killed in Gun Battle

Police Party Engage Five Robbers in Sinza Road; Gang Escapes

Hit by bullets fired during a running fight between a party of Police and armed robbers in Sinza Road yesterday evening a male Chinese, whose identity had not been established at a late hour last night, was killed. Despite a quick turnout by the police after an alarm had been raised, the robbers managed to make good their escape. It is not known whether any of them were hit by police bullets.

The robbery occurred at 1058 Sinza Road when five men, three of them armed with black pistols, entered the residence and stole $25 in notes. Before they had got out of the premises an alarm was raised and a police party from Gordon Road Station arrvied on the scene.

The robbers who had gained a good start, immediately opened fire on the police who replied. It was during this shooting that the Chinese was struck by a bullet and killed. It is believed that he was a pedestrian, as there were many people about at the time. Investigations were carried out by detectives from Gordon Road Police Station.

Other Robberies

Three other robberies—one of them perpetrated by strip and run artists—were also being investigated by the Settlement police last night. The first one occurred at 6.50 when five men, three armed with pistols, entered 321 Mapai Road, intimidated the occupants and stole money, clothing and jewellery valued at $500.

No less than ten men participated in the second robbery, which took place on Hart Road, near Wuling Road, at about 7:50 p.m. These men held up a lone Chinese and relieved him of banknotes to the value of $85, which he was carrying on his person at the time.

In the third robbery at 8 p.m. on Ward Road, near Whashing Road, four men held up a male Chinese and took away most of his clothing, including a long silk gown, one overcoat, one black short jacket and one hat. The total value of the missing clothes was about $100.

Reich Warns Sweden Against Aiding Finns

Berlin Afraid of Allowing Allies Advantage of Bases

Copenhagen, Jan. 3.

Germany, in a diplomatic Note, has warned Sweden that she cannot allow her to tolerate any help to Finland by the Western Powers, according to the Berlin correspondent of the "Berlingske Tidende."

The Germans, he asserts, declare that they cannot allow England to help Finland, arguing that British help is actuated by a desire to establish air and naval bases in the northern countries, whence attacks could be made against Germany and Russia.

Wilhelmstrasse officials, the correspondent continues, are watching the steps being taken by Britain and France. They assert that the Finnish question concerns Germany as well as the northern countries, and that active British assistance to Finland would result in Germany immediately reconsidering her attitude towards Norway and Sweden.—Reuter.

U.S. Committee for Study on Peace

Bases to Be Sought for Durable World Peace

New York, Jan. 3.

Under the chairmanship of Dr. James Thomson Shotwell, a member of the American delegation to the Versailles Peace Conference in 1919, a "Committee for the Study of the Organization of Peace" has been created here.

The Committee will consist of fifty experts in foreign policy, and will study means of establishing bases for a durable world peace when the present war is over.

The Committee will inform the public of its views by means of radio talks and lecturers.—Havas.

Returning Shortly!

Aerial Activity Over France, North Sea

Planes Again Active on Western Front

Paris, Jan. 3.

Notwithstanding the cold weather, there has been considerable aerial activity over the Lorraine region and the North Sea. For the past two days both French and German fliers carried out scouting missions above the lines and immediately behind. In all 107 flights were registered by French scouting planes yesterday and valuable photographs were brought back.

A short aerial engagement between a patrol of French planes and Messerschmidts occurred yesterday but the German machines turned back and no losses were registered on either side.

A number of German observation planes flew over eastern France and the Paris region at a very high altitude and dropped a small number of leaflets, which had been made to look like dead leaves.

British and German air squadrons are having encounters over the North Sea in the vicinity of German air bases almost daily.—Havas.

Planes Active on West Front

Paris, Jan. 3.

"There was normal activity of contact units and some renewal of aviation activity" says a military communique issued here on Monday night, referring to operations on the Western Front.

"There is nothing to report," says the latest French war communique.—Reuter.

Warm Welcome for Men Of H.M.S. Ajax

Uruguayan Women Urged to Meet Britons with Flowers

Montevideo, Jan. 3.

A warm welcome greeted the British cruiser Ajax, one of the three warships that defeated the German pocket-battleship Graf Spee, when it arrived here today.

The newspaper "Eldia," with the widest circulation, had splashed a three-column appeal to Uruguayan women to receive the men of the Ajax with flowers.

After a press reception aboard the Ajax, Rear-Admiral Sir Henry Harwood, who commanded the British naval forces during the battle, visited the President of Uruguay and the Foreign and Defence Ministers. The visit is purely a courtesy one, and will last two days.—Reuter.

King George Visits Southern Command

Troops in Battle Order Cheer His Majesty

London, Jan. 3.

The King visited the Southern Command yesterday. Wearing the uniform of a Field Marshal, His Majesty was cheered by troops in battle order.

At one point he walked for more than a mile along a road lined with troops, an escort of villagers and children following him as he walked along the line.

Altogether during the inspection the King covered 78 miles in a camouflaged car, driven by a lance-corporal who was formerly a chauffeur at Buckingham Palace.—Reuter.

Terukuni Maru Crew Reach New York

New York, Jan. 3.

Capt. Bunjiro Matsukura, master of the ill-fated Terukuni Maru, and 69 members of his crew arrived here from Europe New Year's Day on the Hakusan Maru. The ship is en route to Yokohama and is also carrying 1,000 passengers. Captain Matsukura's vessel was sunk off the east coast of England on November 21 when it struck a mine.—Domei.

Real Soviet Offensive Not Yet Launched

(Continued from page 7)

Copenhagen, Jan. 3.

The "National Tidende" has received a report from Stockholm that a Russian troop train has been derailed along the Murmansk railway, with a heavy loss of life. It is not known whether the disaster was due to sabotage or the Finnish "death battalion."—Reuter.

Finns Beat Back Attacks

Helisinki, Jan. 2.

Soviet attackers actually fought their way into a Finnish Staff headquarters near the front, but were beaten back with heavy losses by Staff officers and their assistants, an order-of-the-day issued by Marshal Karl von Mannerheim reported today. The order cited Colonel Per Ekholm for personal courage in the battle and conferred the War Cross on him.

While there was a lull in warfare along the Karelian front today, Finnish troops in the Suomissalmi region continued their advance against the Red Army and in other sectors beat off several Soviet attacks, a Finnish General Staff communique announced tonight. Minor patrols and clashes together with some artillery duelling made up the "bill of warfare" in Karelia. On the eastern front, meanwhile, the Finns took the offensive north-east of Lake Ladoga improved their positions at several points.

Soviet Tank Destroyed

In the Lavajaervi area, Soviet attacks with tanks beat against Finnish lines throughout the day. All were turned back, however, and one tank was destroyed.

At Aitojoki, Soviet base of operations, fighting was particularly brisk and positions changed hands several times as attack and counter-attack rolled across the narrow strip of no-man's-land. During these battles, the Finns captured three machine-guns, one field kitchen and 400 overcoats.

A Soviet attack was made on Kuhmo, in the Srasti sector, but was repulsed. Finnish troops continued to clean-up in the Suomussalmi region and pursued the enemy in the Juntusranta sector. In other areas, patrols and artillery firing occurred, the Staff communique added.

A Havas war correspondent learned that three Soviet aircraft were forced to land on Finnish territory during a snowstorm. The crews were made prisoners-of-war.—Havas.

Inquiry Into Vatican Fire Opened

Short Circuit Did Not Cause Disastrous Blaze

Rome, Jan. 2.

Investigation into the causes of the fire that caused considerable damage in the Apostolic Chancellery of the Vatican yesterday, showed today that no short circuit could have set off the blaze.

Members of the board of inquiry said the fire must have been due to negligence or perhaps even to arson. Several men who have been working on restoration projects in the Chancellery have been asked to hold themselves at the disposal of the authorities for an inquiry.—Havas.

King Sends Greeting To M. Lebrun

Success of French People In Defence of Liberties

London, Jan. 3.

The text is published today of New Year telegrams exchanged between King George and President Lebrun.

In his message to the French President, His Majesty said: At the beginning of the New Year, which finds our nations so closely united in a renewed struggle against senseless aggression, I address to you my warmest best wishes for your health and happiness, and for the success of the French people in the great efforts which they are making, together with their British ally, for the defence of liberties, which to them are so dear.

"It is with the greatest confidence that I foresee the accomplishment of a joint victory, which will allow our respective countries to enjoy the blessings of a peace which will be untroubled by violent threats, repeated by those who showed so clearly their aversion for any peace with their neighbours other than that of subjection and oppression."

In reply, President Lebrun expressed good wishes for the happiness of the King and Queen, and his wishes "that the British people should share with the French during this year definite success, which they deserve by so many common sacrifices made for the most just of causes.—Reuter.

OBITUARY

Mr. Horace Hanbury

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 3.

The death occurred at Dinard on Christmas Day of Mr. Horace Hanbury, son of Sir Thomas Hanbury. He was 59 years of age.—Reuter.

CHAINED TO BED BY BACKACHE

Now—Thanks to Kruschen—Not a Trace of Pain

This woman's life was made a misery by the nagging pains of backache. Then her father, who had proved the value of Kruschen himself, advised her to try it. She did, and here is her grateful letter:—

"For years I have been suffering with pains in the back. At times I had to stay in bed for days. I could not walk, or even stand. My father was using Kruschen Salts for the same thing. He, too, used to suffer badly, and Kruschen saved him. He advised me to try it. I did so, and did not get a pain for three years. I then neglected my daily dose for about six months, and two months ago the pain returned. I tried another remedy—it failed, so I again started Kruschen. Now I have not a trace of pain, thanks to Kruschen."—(Mrs.) H.R.

Pains in the back are usually due to poisons in the blood—waste products which tired kidneys are failing to filter from the system. The six salts in Kruschen coax your kidneys back to healthy, normal action, so that not a particle of poisonous waste matter remains unexpelled.—ADVT.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harris and daughter returned to Shanghai on Tuesday in the ss. President Coolidge.

Mr. W. H. Youngblood of the National City Bank arrived in the ss. President Coolidge on Tuesday.

Mr. Louis M. Bernstein arrived on Tuesday in the ss. President Coolidge on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Percival returned to Shanghai on Tuesday last after an absence of eight months.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Fibiger returned on Tuesday from a trip to Japan in the ss. President Coolidge.

There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion in the Bubbling Well Chapel this morning at 10.30 a.m.

The B.W.A. War Work Section at Mrs. C. Laycock's, 9 Crescent Avenue, recommences on Tuesday, January 9, at 3 p.m.

The Mayor of Manila, Sr. Juan Posadas, was reported near death yesterday from a heart attack. The Mayor was taken to the hospital in Manila, December 12.

"That the age of chivalry is not dead," will be proposed on the Foreign "Y" debating programme today, at 9 p.m. Mr. K. M. Steiner is proposing, and Mr. David Crook is opposing.

President Roosevelt has named Mr. Alvin J. Wirtz, 51-year-old attorney of Austin, Texas, Under-Secretary of the Interior to succeed Mr. Harry Slattery, who was recently named Chief of the Rural Electrification Administration.

Mr. Charles Edison, Acting Secretary of the Navy, was sworn in on Tuesday as the 46th Secretary of the Navy in the presence of the nation's ranking naval and military officials. The oath was administered by Rear Admiral Walter B. Woodson, Judge Advocate-General.

The December issue of the "Modern Woman" has been received, consisting of 68 pages and is a well prepared publication. The magazine contains material of interest to women, carries several pages of cartoons and a Christmas sketch, done by Sapajou. With many pages in colour and items of general interest.

The following numbers drew prizes at the Rover Ball raffle: Philco Radio won by ticket 801, Fish Servers, 787; John Haig Whisky; 483; Black and White Whisky; 748; Fruit bowls; 708; Bicycle Lighting Set; 55; Mischief Perfume; 306; the following numbers won handkerchiefs or ties: 979, 449, 1170, 689, 1063, 785, 703, 948, 281, 3, 758, 757, 700, 1205, 863, 303, 945, 1008.

Members of the British Women's Association are reminded of the concert arranged by the musical and dramatic section for January 11. Such talented artists as Miss Margaret Sinclair, Miss Winifred Allan, Mrs. J. McNeill, Mr. G. Bounvita and Prof. Wittenberg are included in the programme. Tea will be served at 4.30 p.m. and the concert will start at 5.30 p.m.

The Navy Y.M.C.A. wishes to acknowledge with sincere thanks the donation of books, magazines, etc., received from the following people during December:—Mrs. W. A. Main, Major A. Bassett, Mrs. M. Alexander, Mr. W. R. Taylor, Mr. Manuel A. Ferras, Mrs. Reed. Mr. G. Campbell, Mrs. F. O. Gregory. The Navy Y.M.C.A. is always pleased to receive books and magazines for use among service men.

On account of family reasons the wedding of Miss Dorothy Hovenier and Dr. J. Douglas Riddell was privately performed at Holy Trinity Cathedral on New Year's day. The Very Rev. Dean Trivett officiated. The bride was given away by her stepfather, Mr. G. W. Boissevain, Netherlands Consul General at Shanghai. Miss Hovenier was attended by Miss Mary Wilkinson, Dr. Riddell by Mr. Geoffrey Bichard.

The health report of the French Municipality for the week ending December 30, shows that the total number of deaths from all causes amongst the foreign and Chinese population in the Concession were—Foreigers 3 and Chinese 219. Deaths from notiable diseases were—Foreigners, Tuberculosis 1. Chinese, Tuberculosis 18; Pneumonia 4; Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers 3; Dysentery 2; Beri-beri 2 and Measles 1.

The Shanghai Municipal Council health report for the week ending midnight December 30, shows that the total number of deaths from all causes amongst the foreign and Chinese population in the Settlement were: Foreigners 16 and Chinese 470. Deaths from notifiable diseases were—Foreigners, Diphtheria 1; Tuberculosis 1, Beri-beri 1. Chinese, Tuberculosis 28; Typhoid Fever 6; Beri-beri 4; Dysentery 3; Diphtheria 2; Relapsing Fever 2 and Cerebrospinal Fever, Influenza, Typhus Fever 1 each.

The Chapel Church Choir with the collaboration of the orchestra will hold a musical concert at Tien An Church, Shantung Road, on January 6 for raising choir fund. The fund will be used as choir's contribution towards the future new building of the Chapel Church. Prof. V. G. Shushlin, Mr. Leo Itkis, and Mr. Adler will be guest soloists at the concert. Tickets will be available at the entrance. Those who are interested will find this an opportunity to hear good music, as well as contributing to a good cause.

The programme for the thirteenth Sunday Symphony Concert to be given in the Lyceum Theatre on Sunday, January 7, at 5.15 p.m. is as follows:—

Sonata a tre istrumenti .....Porpora (1686-1766)
(edited in the form of "Concerto Grosso" by Vittorio Gui)
Introduction and Allegro
Adagio, without interruption
Gavotta, without interruption

Second Movement from 2nd Symphony .....Mahler
"Andante con moto"

Symphonic Impression: "A Song of Summer" .....Delius

Prelude and Love-Death Scene Wagner from "Tristan and Isold"

Symphony in D minor .....Franck
Lento—Allegro non troppo
Allegretto
Allegro non troppo
Conductor: Maestro Mario Paci.

Fourth Marines to Parade for C.O.

Colonel Peck Will Review Regiment Today; Record of New Commanding Officer

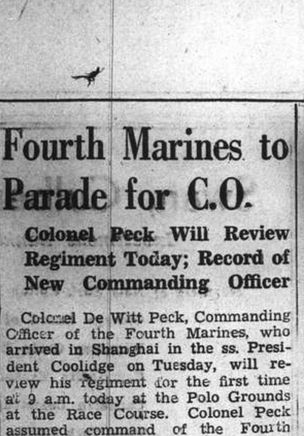
Colonel De Witt Peck, Commanding Officer of the Fourth Marines, who arrived in Shanghai in the ss. President Coolidge on Tuesday, will review his regiment for the first time at 9 a.m. today at the Polo Grounds at the Race Course. Colonel Peck assumed command of the Fourth Marines yesterday morning at the commencement of office hours, relieving Lt.-Col. C. I. Murray, who had been in command of the regiment since the departure of Colonel J. C. Fegan.

The new regimental commander of the Fourth Marines came to Shanghai from the Marine Corps Base in San Diego, California, where he was Chief of Staff of the Fleet Marine Force. Colonel Peck was born in Bakersfield, California, on May 29, 1894 and entered the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, in 1911 at the age of seventeen. He graduated from the Academy in 1915 and accepted a commission as second lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps.

Although this is his first tour of duty in China the colonel has seen action in various other parts of the world. In 1916 he served in Haiti with the Marine Brigade and Gendarmerie and in 1917 he took part in the expedition to Cuba, later in that year transferring to sea duty on board the U.S.S. Olympia. During the first part of 1918 he served on board the U.S.S. Louisiana and later went overseas with the famous Fifth Marines, part of the American Expeditionary Forces in France.

Major Engagements

While in France, Colonel Peck participated in two major engagements at Ste. Mihiel and Mont Blanc. After the Armistice he was ordered to duty with the American Army of Occupation in Germany, going from there to Quantico, Virginia, when the American Forces were withdrawn. In



Col. de Witt Peck,
New Commanding Officer of the Fourth U.S. Marines.

1922 and 1923 he served at Guantanamo Bay in Cuba and in 1923 he returned to Haiti where he did duty until 1924.

From 1929 to 1931 he served at sea again, this time on the staff of the Commander of the Special Service Squadron in the Caribbean Sea. In 1932 he was with the American Electoral Mission in Nicaragua when the marines supervised the elections in the Central American republic.

Colonel Peck is a graduate of the Marine Corps Schools at Quantico, Virginia; the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; and the Naval War College at Newport, R. I. He served at various times as an instructor in Tactics in the Field Officers' School at Quantico and has also been assigned to duty on the Staff of the Naval War College.

The Colonel holds the Purple Heart, the Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal with two stars, the Victory Medal with two stars, the Second Nicaraguan Medal and the Nicaraguan Medal of Distinction.

Naval Landing Party To be Reviewed

Parade to Be Held Next Sunday in Hongkew Park

Admiral Koshiro Oikawa, commander-in-chief of the Japanese China Seas Fleet, will review Japanese naval forces in Shanghai on Sunday in a revival of the annual New Year parade, it was officially announced yesterday.

Rear-Admiral Moriharu Takeda, commandant of the Japanese Special Naval Landing Party in Shanghai, will be in command of the marching forces.

The review of mechanized forces will start at 11 o'clock on Sunday morning on Kiangwan Road near Hongkew Park. It will be followed by a review and a march past of the forces on foot in the park, the announcement stated.

The participating units will return to their quarters by marching through Hongkew streets, according to the announcement.

Last year the parade was not held.

Refugee Relief Fund

A statement showing receipts and disbursements in respect of the above fund as at November 30, 1939, follows:—

RECEIPTS

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Balance at credit on January 1, 1939	35,647.34
Amounts received in respect of voluntary entertainment levy from January 1, to November 30, 1939	334,612.46
Amount (final balance transferred from rice account	53,864.41
	$424,124.21

DISBURSEMENTS

January 1 to November 30, 1939

Grants to Refugee Organizations	224,971.53
Proportion of hospital expenditure directly attributable to refugees	61,627.08
Smallpox and cholera campaign	22,290.91
Cost of drugs, medicines etc. supplied to various Refugee Camps	6,121.81
Cost of additional staff engaged on refugee work and labour for cleansing Camps	65,858.41
Balance at credit on Nov. 30, 1939	42,254.42
	$424,124.21

The King Opens New Session of Parliament
The King was accompanied by the Queen when he drove to Westminster to open the new session of Parliament. Picture shows Their Majesties on their way to the Houses of Parliament.

New China Regime Expected Soon

Tokyo War Minister Says Army Determined to Carry Out Programme

Tokyo, Jan. 3.

A new Chinese Central Government would be established in the near future, but this did not necessarily mean an early settlement of the China affair, said the War Minister, General Shunroku Hata yesterday, in a New Year message to the nation.

He urged the necessity for continued vigorous co-operation on the part of the nation for the establishment of a new order in East Asia.

The situation in Europe was becoming more complex and serious, General Hata added, and it was necessary for Japan to make every possible preparation capable of meeting such a situation.

The Imperial Japanese Army, he said, was firmly determined to fulfil its duty for the settlement of the China affair and for coping with the world situation.

The War Minister also expressed gratitude for the sacrifices of the 70,000 Japanese he said had been killed in action during hostilities in China.—Reuter.

Cabinet to Hear Report

Tokyo, Jan. 3.

A group of representative Japanese authorities in China were expected to arrive here either tomorrow or Friday to report to the Cabinet on interviews with Mr. Wang Ching-wei, who will be the Central figure of the projected new Central Government of China, the "Yomiuri Shimbun" said today.

The newspaper reported that a complete agreement had been reached between Mr. Wang and Japanese authorities in China, and that the fundamental principles agreed upon, especially those relating to Japan's assistance to the projected new Government and matters connected with relations between Japan and China after the new Government is established, would be outlined to Cabinet members.

Conference Proposed

If the Cabinet approves the fundamental principles, the "Yomiuri" said, a conference between Mr. Wang Ching-wei, Mr. Wang Keh-min, Chief Executive of the "Provisional Government" at Peiping, and Mr. Liang Hung-chih, Chief Executive of the "Reformed Government" at Nanking, would be called. These three leaders, the paper stated, would discuss the opening of the Central Political Council. The Council will form the nucleus of the projected new Central Government of China.

The paper predicted that the Japanese authorities stationed in China would meet the Cabinet sometime between Saturday and Tuesday. First, however, the newspaper asserted, they would consult with officials of the China Affairs Board.

Mr. Wang's movement, the paper said, commenting on the agreement on views that had been reached by Japanese authorities in China and Mr. Wang, was making rapid progress.—Domei.

Japanese Shot in Changshu

Disturbance Breaks Out On New Year's Eve

More than ten members of the Japanese garrison force in Changshu, the famous rice-producing district in north Kiangsu, were killed or wounded on New Year's eve when shooting occurred in the city and, quoting a recent arrival from the district, a Chinese report states that at the time when the traveller left the district, the city gates were still kept closed by the Japanese.

According to the traveller who lived outside the city there was continuous shooting and beating of gongs in the city on New Year's eve and the Japanese closed the city gates in order to search for criminals. On Tuesday one of the city gates had been opened for not more than ten minutes to allow free passage of those people who were engaged in transporting vegetables and foodstuffs. Shops closed their doors earlier.

It is admitted that the situation in the district is obscure but it is stated that it is serious in view of the fact that Japanese authorities have marked out both Soochow and Changshu as "good citizens' areas."

Headless Corpse is Found in Nantao

Body Dismembered by "Wah Wai" Gambler

A headless corpse greeted the New Year celebrants in Nantao on Monday and investigations made by the Nantao District Court and Japanese officers revealed that the poor Chinese male's head was chopped off after death by some "Wah Wai" gambler who usually prays beside a human skull for winning his game of fortune.

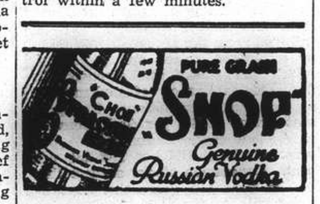
The gruesome discovery was made in Lu Hsiang Yuan Road, near Chiu Mow Ti, which is within the Nantao Refugee Zone. It is reported that the man looked like a beggar and a heroin addict. Japanese military authorities investigated the case and, as a result the head, which once adorned the unfortunate man, was found on a piece of vacant ground.

The procurator of the Nantao District Court was informed and an inquest was held. It was revealed during the inquest that the beggar which had the drug habit had died of exposure and that some "Wah Wai" gambler had dismembered his body. His head and body were later brought together and buried by the Tung Jen Cemetery.

It is indicated by the Chinese press that the "Wah Wai" gambling fever has spread to Nantao. Numerous people in the native city are said to be interested in such gambling houses mostly located in the western district.

Fire Fought on Top Hotel In Yu Ya Ching Road

A fire on top of the Grand Hotel, a Chinese hostelry at the corner of Yu Ya Ching and Pakhoi Roads, was fought by firemen from Central Station early yesterday afternoon. The alarm was given at 1.46 p.m. Some electrical apparatus and its wooden framework were damaged but the flames were put under control within a few minutes.



NEXT CHANGE GRAND

Three Wounded As Police Meet Gang

Bandit Chased Across Avenue Edward VII and Stopped by Bullet

Members of the French and Settlement Police and armed Chinese robbers fought a pistol battle in Avenue Edward VII, near the intersection of Fokien Road, early yesterday morning with the result that one bandit was wounded and captured, a Chinese constable in the French Police wounded, a loaded pistol seized, and a Chinese pedestrian hit by a stray bullet.

Shortly after noon an alarm caused detectives and uniformed men to turn out from Central Police Station in steel waistcoats to the Italian Bank for China, 186 Kiukiang Road, only to find that the alarm had been sounded by mistake.

In yesterday morning's encounter, a Chinese constable of the French Police was seriously wounded in the chest when he tackled a gang of robbers who were operating in Rue Hue, near Avenue Edward VII, shortly before 8 o'clock. Despite his wound, however, he gave chase and the bandit who had shot him escaped across Avenue Edward VII into Fokien Road, where the Settlement Police joined in the chase. Further shots were fired, the armed robber was brought down seriously wounded, and a Chinese pedestrian was hit by a stray bullet.

The police seized from the injured robber the pistol which he had been firing. This man, after having been taken to the Settlement Police Hospital, was handed over to the French Police who placed him, under guard, in a Concession hospital.

The weapon used by the armed robber was a 9 mm. revolver and at a late hour last night the constable was understood to be in a serious condition. The armed robbery occurred at about 7.55 a.m. and when it was noticed by pedestrians near No. 26 Rue Hue, where the thugs were operating, they advised three policemen (C.P.C.s 703, 840 and 1233) standing around the corner. Once the alarm was raised, the gunmen attempted to make their getaway through an alleyway leading on to Avenue Joffre.

As he was crossing Avenue Edward VII, the Concession constable No. 703, Yuo Fohseng was hit in the chest but notwithstanding his injuries he continued the chase and finally brought one of the men down with wounds in the leg and the abdomen in Wuhu Road. The courageous constable is only 23 years of age.

Other Crime Cases

It was the second shooting in which the Settlement Police and armed bandits had been involved in about twelve hours.

Two robberies in the course of which pistols were displayed but not fired took place in the Settlement yesterday morning. At 5.15 a.m. a gang of three Chinese escaped with $300 loot from 905 Ferry Road, and at 10 a.m. another band obtained $450 in Medhurst Road and likewise escaped.

Holidays End With Higher Prices

Many Chinese Commodities Reach Higher Levels

With banks and many commercial houses resuming business today after observing three days' New Year holiday, Shanghai residents will find that prices of many commodities have been increased thus further increasing their already heavy economic burden.

Advertisements published by the Chinese press reveal that prices of glassware, "mien mow yi" a new kind of cloth popularly used by numerous Chinese, "wei pao" a seasoning foodstuff needed in Chinese kitchens, leather and other articles have been increased. Bath houses have also increased their prices.

All Chinese banks and markets will reopen for business today but some Chinese newspaper offices will resume business tomorrow. Fewer Chinese morning and evening papers have made their appearance during the past few days. Most of the local Chinese news agencies were still closed yesterday.

Rice Hong Manager Fined For False Weights

Hong Fu-kong, manager of the Yung Kong Rice Shop in Boulevard de Montigny, who was recently arrested by the French police on suspicion that he had drilled a hole in a weight in order illegally to reduce the quantity of rice he was selling, has been fined $800 by the Second Special District Court. It is understood that the victimized customer, Ling Tze-yung, will ask the sentenced manager to give him five additional catties of rice that he is entitled to possess after paying the price.

Ling went to Hong's shop last week to buy a half picul of rice. After returning home he found out by using his own scale that the quantity of the rice he bought was much less than he expected to obtain. He went to the shop again and disputed with the manager. During the dispute he discovered that the weight used by the shop had been hollowed out at the bottom. He immediately reported the matter to the French police, resulting in Hong being arrested.

Sir Herbert Phillips Entertained

Retiring Consul-General Guest of Zero Club

One of the largest gatherings ever to assemble at the Zero Club attended the farewell yesterday to Sir Herbert Phillips, H.M. Consul-General, who is leaving shortly on retirement.

Mr. J. D. Watt, President of the Club, made a brief speech in which he referred to Sir Herbert's long and distinguished services in China, and wished him, on behalf of the club, happiness in his retirement.

Sir Herbert Phillips suitably replied, describing his long relations with the services and thanking the Zero Club for the support members had given him during his office in Shanghai as Consul-General.

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE

Money and Exchange

Foreign Exchanges

Bombay Rupee T. T. on:

			Closing Jan. 2.
Japan	79⅞	London	1/5⅜
New York	393	2 mths	
Shanghai	28	„ (sellers)	1/5⅜
Hongkong	84	„ (buyers)	1/5⅛
		Japan	
		„ (sellers)	81
		„ (buyers)	79⅛

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	402.00	Shanghai	4⅛d
Paris	176.00	Bombay	1/6
Berlin	——	Hongkong	1/3*
Amsterdam	7.50	Singapore	2/4⅛*
Brussels	23.75	Yokohama	1/2⅜
Madrid	38.50 *	„ (buying)	1/2
Milan	77.50	Prague	——
Berne	17.80		

*—Unofficial rates.

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.20	Montreal	88.680
Spain	9.95	Brazil	5.10
Holland	53.25	Japan	23.49
Paris	2.34¼	Shanghai	7.80
Brussels	16.87	Hungary	17.60
Italy	5.05	Rumania	0.73
S'zerland	22.43	Yugo Slavia	2.33
Sweden	23.82½	Greece	0.73
Norway	23.72½	Bulgaria	unq.
Denmark	19.32½	Finland	2.00

London	3.95⅝
„ Demand	3.94¾
„ Bankers' 60 days bills	3.94¾
„ Commercial 60 days bills	3.94¾
Buenos Aires, Paper	Unq.
„ „ market rate	22.55
Montreal on London	4.45-7/16

—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London:	Jan. 2.	
Fine Bank Bills	3 months	1¼%
Bank Bills	6 months	1⅛%
Fine Trade Bills	3 months	2¾%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	3¼%
Call Money		0¾%
New York:		
Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months		0⅛%B 0⅛%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months		0⅛%B 0⅛%A
Call Money		1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Jan. 3.	Bid Prices a.m. Closing		p.m. Closing	
Atoka	.233	S	.245	S
Antamok	.175	S	.175	S
Baguio Gold	.225	S	.225	S
Batong Buhay	.015	S	.015	S
Benguet Consolidated	5.70	*	——	
Big Wedge	.25		.26	S
Coco Grove	.17	S	.17	S
Consolidated Mines	.004	S	.004	S
Demonstration	.14	S	.14	S
East Mindanao	.12	S	.12	S
I. X. L.	.395		.395	
Ipo Gold	.14		.155	S
Itogon	.315	S	.315	S
Mambulao Consolidated	.017		.017	
Masbate Consolidated	.12	S	.125	S
Mine Operations	.12	C	.125	S
North Camarines	.17	S	.17	S
Paracale Gumaus	.20	S	.20	S
San Mauricio	.95	S	.98	S
Surigao Consolidated	.20	S	.20	S
Suyoc	.145	S	.145	S
Syndicate Investment	.029		.026	S
United Paracale	.35	S	.355	S
Mindanao Motherlode	.0925	S	.10	S

*—Over Counter.
S—Sales.

Turnover for the Morning: 457,000 Pesos.
Shares Index: (Morning Session) 84.24.
—Reuter.

London Stocks

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

London, Jan. 2.

Weekend accumulation of buying orders on the London Stock Exchange today caused early brisk activity, which, however, was not maintained though prices held their initial gains.

British gilt edged securities and home industrials were particularly prominent, on a good investment demand from the Provinces.—Reuter.

	Dec. 29	Jan. 2
War Loan 3½% (Red.)	£90⅛	93½
JAPANESE BONDS		
Japan 5% Stg. Loan 1907	50½	51
Japan 6% Stg. Loan 1924	57	57
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL		
Allied Ironfounders	14/6	14/6
Armstrong Stevens	6/-	6/-
Assoc. & Elec. Indus.	38/1½	38/1½
Austin Motors, ord.	16/9	16/6
Bristol Aeroplane	13/10½	13/9
British American Tob.	96/3	95/-
Cable & W., new form	56½	56½
Cammell Laird, ord.	7/4½	7/9
Courtaulds	38/-	38/3
Distillers	66/3	67/-
Dunlop Rubber	30/3	30/4½
General Elec. (Eng.)	74/7½	74/7½
Guinness (A.) Son & Co.	81/10½	82/-
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	14/7½	14/7½
Imp. Chem. Indus.	30/6	30/7½
Imp. Tobacco	118/9	118/1½
Leyland Motors	87/9	87/9
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	52/-	52/1½
Pressed Steel, com.	14/-	14/-
Rolls-Royce	91/3	91/3
Smethwick Drop Forgings	13/6	13/6
Tate & Lyle	57/-	57/1½
Turner & Newall	66/-	65/7½
United Steel	21/6	21/6
Vickers, ord.	16/7½	17/1½
Woolworths	61/9	61/6
MISCELLANEOUS		
Anglo Dutch	27/3	27/3
Rubber Ptn. Inv. Trust	34/1½	34/1½
MINES		
Burma Corp.	11/6	11/6
Commonwealth Min.	Unq.	Unq.
Marsman Invests.	14/9	14/9
Randfontein Ests.	36/10½	36/10½
Sub-Nigel	193/9	192/6
Tanami Gold Min.	3d.	3d.
Western Holdings	11/-	11/-
OILS		
Anglo-Iranian	59/4½	58/10½
Burmah	62/6	62/6
Mexican Eagle	6/7½	6/7½
Shell Trans. & Trad.	80/-	81/3

†—Ex dividend.

CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS, ETC.		
4½% Gold Loan, 1898 £56	56	
5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	48	48
4½% Anglo-French Loan	45	45
5% Crisp Loan, 1922	25	25
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	35½	35½
5% Stg. Notes, 1925	13	13
5% Honan Rly., 1905	15	15
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	17	17
5% „ (Ger. Is.)	16	16
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	14	14
5% Shai-Nanking Rly.	13	13
5% T'sin-Pukow Rly. B.	14	14
„ „ G.	14	14
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) B.	14	14
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) G.	14	14
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	17	17
Shai Elec. Construction	13/-	13/-
Shai Waterworks "A"	12	12
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	23½	23½
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	8⅝	8⅝
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	81½	81½
„ (Col. Reg.)	84	84
Mercantile Bank of India	11⅝	11⅝
Chinese Eng. & Min.	17/6	17/6
Chosen Corp.	6/6	6/6
Pekin Syndicate	1/6	1/6
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	22/6	23/1½

Union Strives to Improve Trade in Americas

Washington, Jan. 2.

Officials of the Pan-American Union announced today that the Executive Council will form a special Inter-American Committee tomorrow to study the Customs system of the 21 American republics.

The committee, they added, also will study ways and means in the field of customs facilities to encourage commerce between the nations of the western hemisphere.—Havas.

New York Stocks

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Jan. 2.

Stock prices in Wall Street today finished quiet but firm, with the majority of issues recording gains under the leadership of industrials.

Trading was quiet as the majority of operators were absent from the "floor," whilst speculative buying was largely absent. The advance was attributed to the continuance of good business news and the cessation of tax-selling.

The turnover today amounted to 580,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	151.79	150.45	151.43	+1.-
20 Rails	32.36	32.11	32.28	+0.45
15 Utilit	25.97	25.67	25.80	+0.38
40 Bonds	——	——	90.24	+0.30
11 Commod.	——	——	64.07	——

	Dec 30	Jan 2
Adams Exp	8½	8½
Alg Lud Su	21½	2⅛
Allied Stores	8½	9
Alus Chal	4½	4⅛
Alumm Ld	96	96½
Amer Can	113⅜	11⅜
Am Cyan B	33⅜	33⅜
Am For Pr	1⅛	2
„ $7 pfd	24	25
Am G & E	38½	38⅝
Am Loco	21	21⅛
Am Metal	24⅛	24⅛
Am Radiat	10⅛	1⅛
Am R Mnl	10⅛	10⅛
Am Smlg	50⅛	51⅛
Am Sug R	19⅜	—
Am T & T	170⅜	171⅛
Am Tob B	86⅛	87⅛
Am Wtrwks	11⅛	11⅛
Anaconda	29⅛	30⅛
Atchison	23⅜	24⅛
Auburn	2⅛	2⅛
Bald Loco	1⅛	1⅛
B & Ohio	5⅜	5⅝
Barber	14⅛	*14⅛
Barns Oil	12⅜	12⅛
Bendix	31	32
Beth Steel	80⅛	81⅛
Buss	14	*14⅛
Boeing	21⅛	22⅛
Borg Warn	25⅝	25⅝
Briggs	22⅛	22
Bklyn-M Tr	14⅜	14⅛
„ $6 pfd	49⅛	49⅛
Budd Mfg	5⅜	5⅛
Can Pac	4⅛	5
Case J I	73	73
Celanese	29⅛	29⅛
Chase N B	*35⅛	—
Ches & O	41⅛	41⅛
Chrysler	89⅛	90⅛
Cluna Mlyb	39⅛	39⅛
Coca's	82	*82⅛
Col G & E	6⅜	6⅜
„ 6% pfd	*87⅛	90
Com Cred	47⅛	47⅛
Com & Sth	1⅛	1⅛
Cons Edis	30⅜	31⅛
Cons Oil	7⅛	7⅛
Cont Can	42	42⅛
Cont Oil	23⅛	24
Copwld St	16⅜	16⅜
Corn Prod	64⅛	64⅛
Curtis Wr	10⅛	10⅛
„ A	29⅜	30
Deere & Co	23⅜	23⅛
Dist Cpn S	18⅛	19⅛
Douglas	82⅛	83⅜
Du Pont	182	182⅜
Eag P Lead	11⅛	11⅛
Eaton Mfg	30	30½
Elc A Lite	37⅛	38⅛
Elec B & S	7⅞	7⅞
„ $5 pfd	*59⅜	59
„ $6 pfd	66⅜	68⅜
E P & Lt	31⅜	32⅛
Flintkote	19⅛	20⅛
Gen Am Tr	56⅜	56⅜
Gen Elec	40⅛	40⅝
Gen Motor	54⅜	55
Gen Rly Sig	18⅛	*18⅜
Gen. T & R	21⅛	22⅛
Glidden	17	18⅛
Goodrich	19⅛	19⅛
„ $5 pfd	*64	*64⅛
Goodyear	23	24
Gt N I Ore	17⅛	17⅛
Gt N Rly	26⅛	27
Gt W Sugar	27⅛	29⅛
Greyhound	16⅛	17⅛
Herc Pow	89	89⅛
Homestake	58⅛	59
Int Harv	61	61⅛
Int Nickel	36⅜	37⅛
Int T & T	4⅜	4⅜
Johns Man	72½	75

	Dec 30	Jan 2
Johnes & L	65	*66
Kennecott	37⅛	37⅜
Lak F & M	*39	40
Libbey-O F	52	52½
Lockheed	31⅛	32
Loews	35⅜	36⅜
Mack Trks	27⅛	28⅛
Martin G	40⅜	41⅛
McK & R	*10⅜	—
Monsanto	109⅛	109⅜
Mont Ward	50⅛	50⅜
Nat Avian	1⅜	1⅛
Nat City B	*28⅛	—
Nat Dairy	16⅛	16⅜
Nat Distrs	24⅜	24⅜
Nat Gyp	11⅜	11⅜
Nat Lead	19⅜	20⅜
Nat P & L	8⅜	8⅜
Nat Steel	71⅜	72⅛
Nat Supply	9	9¼
N Y Cent	18⅜	18⅜
Niag Hud	5⅜	5⅜
N A Avian	25¼	26⅛
N Am Co	22⅛	23
N Pacific	5⅜	5⅜
O I Glass	61	62⅛
Pac G & E	33⅜	33¼
Pac Lignig	48⅛	49⅜
Packard	5⅛	5⅜
Paramount	7⅜	7⅛
Penn R R	23⅜	23⅜
Phelps D	40⅛	40⅜
P & R Coal	*9⅛	*9⅜
Phil Pet	41⅛	41⅜
Pitts C & I	*8	*8⅜
P S of N J	40⅜	40⅜
Pullman I	30⅜	32
Pure Oil	8⅛	8⅜
Radio	5⅛	5⅜
Reading	16	16¼
„ 1st pfd	25	*25
Rem Arms	*4⅛	*4⅛
Rep Avian	6	6
Rep Steel	22⅛	23⅜
Rev C & B	*14⅛	14⅛
Rey Tob B	39⅜	39⅜
Richfield	7⅛	8
Safeway	46⅛	47
Schenley	11⅛	12⅜
Sears Roeb	85⅜	86
Shell U Oil	12⅜	12⅜
Soc-Vac	12⅛	12⅛
Sthrn Pac	14⅛	14⅜
Sthrn Rly	34⅜	34½
Sperry	45⅜	45⅛
Spicer	*33	34
Std Brands	6	6⅛
Std G & E	2⅛	*2⅛
Std Oil C	24⅜	25⅛
Std Oil N J	43⅜	44⅜
Stone & W	11⅛	12
Studebaker	9⅜	9⅜
Swift Int	32	31⅛
Technicor	12⅛	13⅜
Tex Corp.	44⅜	45⅜
Tex Gulf	32⅜	33
Transamer	6	6⅛
Tw Cent F	12	12
T C F pfd	*24⅛	24⅜
Un Carbide	86⅜	87
Un Pacific	94⅜	95
Un Aircraft	46⅜	47⅛
Un Air L	16	16⅛
Un Corpn	2⅜	2⅛
„ $3 pfd.	39⅜	39⅜
Un Gas	1⅜	1⅛
Un G Imp	14⅜	14⅜
U S Ind. Al	23⅛	24
U S Rubber	40⅛	41⅛
„ 8% pfd	112	112⅛
U S Steel	66⅛	66⅜
Vanadium	33⅛	34
Walworth	*5⅛	6
War Br Pic	3⅜	3⅜
West Elec	116½	117
Woodward	23⅛	*23⅜

BONDS

Amer. & For.	*63	—
Baltimore & Ohio	29	—
Brazil (U. S. of) 8% 1941	18½	—
„ 6½% 1957	15	—
Cities Serv.	92	—
Erie R.R. 6s 1967	17⅜	—
Int Tel. & Tel.	43	—
New England Gas & Elec.	68½	—
Republic of Colombia	30	—
„ (1923) 6s '61	31	—
Sthrn. Pacific Co.	47⅛	—
Stand. Gas & Elec.	67⅜	—

WEEKLY CLOSING STOCK

	Dec. 26	Jan. 2
Alaska Juneau	6½	6½
Amer. Brake Shoe & Fdry.	46	44½
Amer. Hide & Leather	6	6
A.P.W. Paper Co.	3⅜	3⅜
Ass. Gas & Elec. $5 pfd.	4⅛	—
Atlan. Gulf & W. Ind. pfd.	17	—
Atlan. Refining	21	20⅞
Atlas Corp.	8⅛	8⅛
Bank of Montreal	——	——
Bellanca Aircraft Corp.	*7	—
Callanhan Zinc & Lead	1⅛	1⅛
Comm. & Sthrn. $6 cum. pfd.	67½	71⅛
Colorada Fuel & Iron,	6⅜	—
Coml. Sovents	13	14⅛
Consolid Aircraft	29	29½
Consumers Pwr., $4.50 pfd.	100⅛	*100
Cont. Roll & Steel Fdry.	*63⅛	—
Coty Inc.	4⅛	4⅛
Coty Int.	0⅝	1
Crown Zellerbach	17⅛	17⅛
Delaware & Hudson	22⅜	22⅜
Elec. Boat Co.	15⅛	16⅛
Elec. Power & Lt.	6⅛	7⅛
Erie Rly. (com.)	1⅛	*1⅛
Gen. Foods	47⅜	48⅛
Int. Paper & Power	13⅜	14⅛
Lorillard	23⅜	24⅛
Mountain City Copper	4⅜	—
Mueller Brass	25⅛	26
Nash Kelvinator	6⅛	6⅜
Nat. Power & Lt. $6 pfd.	93	—
Poor Mfg. "B"	12	12⅛
Rayonier Inc.	17⅛	19
Royal Bank of Canada	——	——
Schenley 5½% pfd.	70	*70
Scott Paper	47⅛	48⅜
Scovill Mfg.	30	29½
Sthrn. Cal. Edison	27⅛	—
Sthrn. Rly. com.	19⅛	20
Sterling Prods.	79⅛	80½
Texas Pacific Land Trust	5⅜	6⅛
Tidewater Ass. Oil	10⅛	11
Timken Detroit Axle	*22⅜	23⅜
Un. Light & Power "A"	1	—
U. S. Pipe & Fdry.	35⅜	36⅜
U. S. Realty & Imp.	1⅛	1⅛
U. S. Smelt Ref. & Min.	60⅛	61
Westinghouse Air Brakes	26⅛	27⅜
Yellow Truck & Coach "B"	18⅛	18⅛
Youngstown Sheet & Tube	46⅛	47

WEEKLY CLOSING BOND

	Dec. 26	Jan. 2
Anglo-Chilean Nitrate Corp.	37⅛	*35⅜
Argentine 4s 1972	80⅛	80
Bethlehem Steel 3¾s 1965	104⅛	104⅛
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	84	85⅛
Chic., Milwaukee, St. Paul	6⅞	7⅛
Columbia Gas & Elec.	104⅛	104⅛
Denver & Rio Grande	*8⅛	*8⅛
Elec. Power & Lt.	81	80⅛
Minas Geraes (State of) 6½%	8	8
Mortrage Bank of Colombia	*26⅛	*26⅛
Nat. Power & Lt., "B" 5s 2030	107	107
„ "A" 6s 2026	111⅛	111⅛
New England Power Ass.	100	100⅛
New York, Chic. & St. Louis	*73⅜	*76
Oslo (City of Norway) 4½%	*71	*71
Peru 6s 1931	9⅛	9⅜
Republic Steel 4¼s 1961	94⅛	95
Rio Grande do Sul	7⅛	7⅛
Sao Paulo (City of) 6½% 1957	*7⅛	7⅛
Sthrn. Rly. Dev. & Gen.	77	*78⅛
Studebeker Conv. Deb.	98	100

Yesterweek it was 154B corrected not 144 B

UNRECEIVED STOCKS BANKS AND BONDS AS FOLLOWS:—

Amer. Sugar Ref	19⅛
McKesson & Robbins $3 pfd	*16⅜
Chase Nat. Bank	*38⅛
Nat City Bank	*28⅛
BONDS	
Amer. & For. Pwr.	6⅜
Baltimore & Ohio	*29⅛
Brazil 8%	16
6%	14⅜
Cities Serv. Pwr. & Lt.	91⅛
Erie R.R.	17⅜
Int. Tel. & Tel. 5s	44⅛
New England Gas & Elec.	*67⅜
Sthrn. Pacific	49
Stand. Gas & Elec. 6s	67⅛
Republic Colombia 6s	*30⅛
„ (1928) 6s '61	30

WEEKLY STOCK QUOTATIONS

Ass. Gas & Elec., $5 pfd.	*4⅛
Atlan. Gulf & W. Ind.	—
Bank of Montreal	210
Bellance	7⅛
Col. Fuel & Iron, Warrants	*3⅛
Cont. Roll & Steel Fdry	*7
Mountain City Copper	4⅛
Nat. Power & Lt. $6 pfd	94⅛
Royal Bank of Canada	180
Scovill Mfg	29⅛
Sthrn. Cal Edison	29⅛
Un. Light & Power "A"	1⅛

*—Bid—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Summary

By Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Stock prices recorded gains today ranging from fractions to exceeding two points. The rebound in steel operations of sixteen per cent., compared with the final week of 1939, attracted buyers of steel shares. Bethlehem and Youngstown gained more than one point. Gains were recorded in most major groups; American Telephone equalled the high for more than a year, while International Mercantile Marine was the most active issue with a gain exceeding one point. Experts ascribed the advance to the cessation of tax-selling. Business news was good, but the volume of stock sales was light.

U. S. Commodities

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Jan. 2.

The cotton market early advanced on higher Liverpool and Bombay cables, trade and foreign buying and covering by shorts. Later, prices further appreciated on the firmness of Liverpool cables and good speculative participation. Finally, the market closed active and strong on general buying, with quotations ranging from 19 to 30 points up.

Prices in the rubber market early moderately advanced on higher cables, some factory absorption and speculative buying in a quiet session. Later, liquidation and profit taking partially reduced earlier gains. At the close, quotations ranged from unchanged to 6 points up.

Wheat prices in Chicago today progressively hardened on some foreign and Wall Street buying, the continuance of drought damage reports, firm Winnipeg advices and shorts covering. At the final bell, gains of 2⅞ to 3⅛ cents were recorded.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
Jan.	11.28-28 +21		
Mar.	11.19-19 +19		
May	[10.85-87 +24	Mar.	19.00-00 +03
July	10.48-53 +21	May	18.77 B +02
July (N.C.)	10.73-74 +19	July	18.50-50 unc.
Oct. (N.C.)	10.04-03 +30		
Dec. (N.C.)	9.97-97 +30		

N. Y. Sugar No. 3		N. Y. Sugar No. 4	
Mar.	1.94-95 +6 B/A	Mar.	1.52½B-53½A +5½
May	1.99-2.00 +6 B/A	May	1.54-55 +6½ B/A
Sept.	2.04-05 +6 B/A	Sept.	1.55½B-56½A +5½

Chicago Wheat		Chicago Corn	
May	106⅞-107 +2⅞	May	59½-59⅝ +¾
July	104¼-104⅜ +3⅛		

Winnipeg Wheat		New York Silk No. 1	
May	90⅜-90⅝ +1¾	Mar.	4.02 A -15

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

Japan Buys Big Amount Scrap Iron from U.S.

New York, Jan. 2.

Japan purchased more scrap iron from the United States last year than in any other year, the American Committee for Non-Participation in Japanese Aggression today announced in a statement. The Committee cited Department of Commerce statistics to show that Japanese purchases of scrap iron from the United States for the first eleven months of 1939 amounted to 1,898,742 tons compared with the total of 1,872,646 in 1937, the previous peak year. In 1938, Japan purchased 1,381,801 tons of scrap iron from the United States, the Committee said, basing the figures on official Department of Commerce reports.

Japan accelerated buying of scrap iron from America since the start of the European war and has averaged 202,000 tons each month since September 1, the Committee said.—United Press.

London Silver Hits New Low

London, Jan. 3.

Silver dropped to the lowest levels since October 5, 1939, here yesterday because of further selling by tired Bombay bulls.

Indian silver holders are reported to have between 4,000,000 and 5,000,000 ounces in London in addition to as much as 50,000,000 ounces in Bombay, the top price of which has been virtually pegged by the Indian Reserve Bank, thereby despoiling speculative profits.

Informed quarters believe that up-country hoarding demand in India eventually will relieve speculators of their holdings but the latter, in the meanwhile, must pay stiff interest rates on bank loans with which they are carrying the metal.—United Press.

Returns of Federal Reserve System

New York, Jan. 2.

The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve system, in their report for the week ended December 27 respecting the entire body of reporting member banks of the system, reveals a decrease on total loans amounting to $174,000,000 compared with the previous week, but an increase of $328,000,000 compared with the corresponding period of last year.

Investments show a decrease of $31,000,000 from last week, but an increase of $1,283,000,000 compared with the corresponding week of last year.

Total loans during the period under review amounted to $8,758,000,000 and investments $14,502,000,000.—Reuter.

Trade Delegation Visits London for Parleys

London, Jan. 2.

Prince Axel of Denmark and M. Mhor, co-leaders of the Danish trade delegation which is to resume parleys with Britain shortly, arrived in London today, preceding the other members of their group. The rest will arrive beginning of next week. Anglo-Danish commercial parleys were suspended for the holidays last month.—Havas.

Silver Quotations

London, Jan. 3.

Silver prices again declined today, with quotations being:—

	Jan. 2	Jan. 3
London spot	22d.	21⅝d.
„ forward	22 3/16d.	21¾d.
„ gold	168/-	168/-

—Reuter.

Britain's War Loan Policy

Unfreezing of Gilt-edged Market Has Changed Investment Outlook; Short Term Loans

NOTHING has changed the investment outlook since war broke out so dramatically as the unfreezing of the gilt-edged market. Recently War Loan and 3½ per cent. Conversion floated clear of the ice, and, with the knowledge that even long-dated stocks were saleable, holders lost the urgent desire to sell. Limits have disappeared as if by magic; and even a succession of adverse items of war news has failed to stem the advance. The funds have resumed convalescence, though admittedly they are not completely restored to health, states "The Economist."

The freeing of the market has been so striking that the imminent possibility of a first instalment of war borrowing has replaced, as a topic of City discussion, the virtually complete stagnation of gilt-edged stocks—and within little more than a week. It would do the market a disservice to represent its recovery as being complete. But some observers, so impressed with the recovery, are urging that the opportunity thus presented should be seized forthwith for ensuring at least the first instalment of war borrowing.

War Finance

The question of war finance, however, is far wider than the achievement of a short-range success, important though that might be in setting the stage for further successes in future. In fact, it is possible to consider Treasury borrowing policy in the light of at least five main factors—timing, pricing, type of loan, investment psychology, and monetary preparation. Examination of borrowing policy under these heads does not provide an entirely conclusive answer in favour of immediate large-scale borrowing, though that is far from saying that an early issue, doubtless prefaced by a further reduction in Bank rate to the expected 2 per cent., would not provide an impressive success. The measure of the borrowing task, however, can be put, at a minimum, at £938 millions for the current financial year, compared with £502 millions when Sir John Simon issued his statement in July, and with £342½ millions contemplated in his first Budget. The timing problem must relate the new total of defence borrowing to the rate of defence expenditure, which in the first six months of the current financial year totalled £225.0 millions from revenue, plus £80½ millions from loans, out of original estimates for 1939-40 of £246.6 millions from revenue and £502.4 millions from borrowing. A very rough guess suggests that the balance to be provided from borrowing (£858 millions, though the figure cannot be regarded as fixed) might be divided between the third and fourth quarters as to £360 millions and £500 millions respectively. The current quarter would in any case be a deficit quarter on revenue account, though the final quarter, fortified by the first instalment of higher income tax, and three months' increase in indirect taxes, to the extent of approximately £90 millions extra on revenue account, should provide a useful surplus. There is, therefore, a certain urgency in making provision for war borrowing in the current quarter. Meanwhile, scope for a further increase in Treasury bill issues—if it is judged by Sir John Simon's intentions last July—scarcely exists, for between July 15th and October 14th the total bill issue increased by £174 millions, compared with a mere £33 millions in the corresponding period of 1938. The Chancellor contemplated raising £150 millions, out of total borrowing of £502 millions, from Treasury bills. Increased total borrowing, combined with the money market's still unsatisfied appetite, however, should justify resort to increased short-term finance. If it does not, then the authorities will be compelled to redouble their efforts to set the stage for a long-term operation, or series of operations. In fact, no valid reason is evident for adhering to the maximum suggested increase in the Treasury bill issue (which appeared to be put at a relatively low figure in the first place) in view of the greater financial burden of defence. It is suggested in a Finance Note on page 97 that the discount market is still about £120 millions short of bills—and it could, of course, take more than this figure. Short-term borrowing, in fact, can meet the Exchequer's demands for a month or two yet.

New Borrowing

Next, the pricing of new borrowing clearly warrants careful consideration. The current level of long-term interest rates is still little short of 4 per cent., compared with Mr. Keynes's proposed maximum of 2½ per cent. for defence borrowing. These figures may perhaps be regarded as the two extremes, for if there is no particular sanctity about 2½ per cent., as compared with any lower rate of interest, there is certainly no compulsion on the authorities to accept a long-term rate of 4 per cent. as an unavoidable obligation. It may reasonably be said that gilt-edged prices, and hence the terms of any new defence issue, are largely what the authorities care to make them. Control dominates the capital market, and the process of pumping credit into the banking system has reached the point at which, despite a substantial increase in advances and, to a smaller extent, in investments, the clearing banks at the end of last month were still operating on a cash ratio of 11¾ per cent. and a quick assets ratio of 28½ per cent. It is by such monetary means, and not by any crude direct intervention of the authorities to support Government stocks in the market, that gilt-edged prices have been assisted, and should be still further assisted in the future. But at the moment, monetary preparation is still in a relatively early phase. Reinforcement of the joint-stock banks' cash has not yet had its full direct effect upon their investments. But further expansion of credit can be expected to have a considerable effect on gilt-edged prices.

Gilt-edged Prices and Yields

The demand for advances consequent upon the onset of war is presumably now abating and the banks are finding difficulty in acquiring bills. If they are given further cash, the direct result should be heavy purchases in the gilt-edged market. If this is so, it is clearly politic to withhold any long-term issue until it can be made on much more favourable terms. To rush such an issue out now would be a waste of public money in paying, over a long term, higher interest than will soon be necessary; it might also prejudice the terms on which later issues could be made. The policy for the moment should, therefore, be to expand the credit structure with the object of bringing interest rates down as far as possible, and, in the meantime, to finance war expenditure by Treasury Bills, by direct borrowing from the Bank on ways and means, and by other short-term borrowing.

Preparation of the market has an important bearing on the best type of borrowing policy for the Treasury's needs. It was suggested earlier in this article that the time will shortly arrive—if, indeed, it is not already here—for the Treasury to make certain of at least part of its new borrowing. The technical arguments in favour of a specialized short-term issue, which would be designed to absorb part of the expansion of total Treasury bill issues, and would thus contribute towards a controlled credit expansion, are sound. There are, naturally, some points against such a course. It might seem, for example, that a short-term funding issue of limited size would mock the total borrowing programme. Again, the further postponement of a large war loan might seem an admission of doubt regarding the market's capacity. And behind the more formal arguments the inevitable responsibility rests on the Treasury to obtain the optimum terms for new borrowing. These, however, are not necessarily maximum terms, for it would be folly merely to await the latter if, at the same time, undue risks were involved. At the moment, however, it is clear that the short-dated stocks have the advantage, and that preparation will have to go considerably further before the "longs" stand on an economical issue basis.

Short Loans

Hence the successful issue of a specialized short loan at a low rate of interest should, on balance, assist rather than impede the market in its task. The choice of terms may be inferred from the accompanying table of gilt-edged prices and yields, in which the stocks are arranged in chronological order of redemption, on our usual assumptions. The present prices of 4½ per cent. Conversion, 5 per cent. Conversion, 2½ per cent. National Defence and 2½ per cent. Conversion stocks suggest that in the next ten years the Government will be faced with refinancing operations in 1940, 1944, 1948, and 1949, although any major change in 5 per cent. Conversion Loan could postpone its eventual redemption as late as 1964. The year 1944 is occupied by the redemption, either optionally or finally, of all four stocks, and this fact suggests that a five-year issue would scarcely suit the market's requirements. There might be a case for matching the Government's official expectation of the length of the war with the issue of three-year bonds. If so, there is little reason why their coupon rate should exceed 2½ per cent. even though the effective return might be enhanced by their issue at a small discount.

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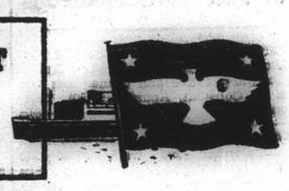

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Barometer inches	30.21	30.29	30.26	30.28
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	—0.10	—0.04	—0.01	+0.01
at 32 F. ,, ,, 12 hrs.)	—0.06	+0.02	+0.05	—0.01
Wind (direction)	WNW	NNW	NNW	SSW
,, (miles per hour)	18.7	4.3	1.0	6.8
Temperature (Fahr.)	52.2°	41.0°	32.0°	39.0°
Humidity %	39	84	100	98
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	0	0	0	0
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report January 2	Mean 1940	24 hrs. variation	67 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.26	—0.09	30.34
Temp. Min. 31.3 Max. 59.4	45.3	+0.5	37.6
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	—	—	0.09

Time and Tide	4/1	5/1	6/1	7/1	8/1
Sun rises at Shanghai	6.53	6.54	6.54	6.54	6.54
Sun sets at Shanghai	17.04	17.05	17.05	17.06	17.06
Moon rises at Shanghai	1.33	2.34	3.34	4.31	5.24
Moon sets at Shanghai	12.55	13.39	14.27	15.17	16.19
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	18.04	6.48	7.40	8.26	9.12
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18	11.08	12.23	13.30	14.25	15.05
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18	8.09	9.15	10.15	10.58	11.30
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	6.18	7.38	7.72	9.15	—

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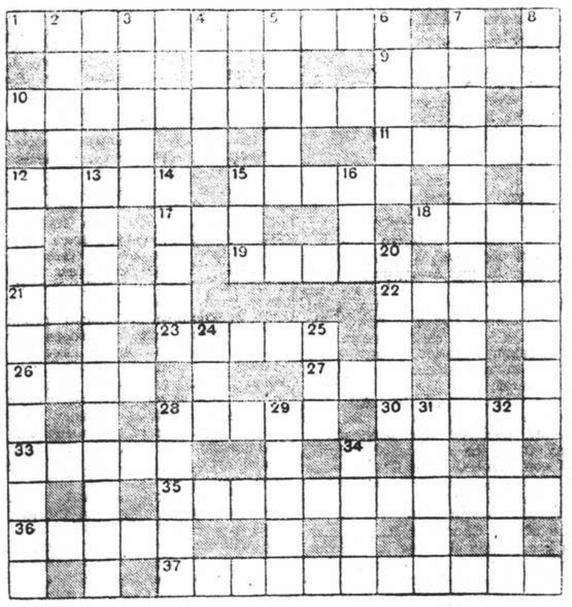

ACROSS

1 They were guarded in the tower (two words)
9 He is vanishing, but his power lives in his supplanter
10 Exchange that makes for good relations (three words)
11 In the end I'm in illuminated surroundings
12 It is present in each side at hostilities
15 A lot of fish
17 This makes a watch second hand
18 This animal curtailed comes from a dove
19 Sounds like the land of lamentation
21 A necessity for many solutions
22 A material
23 Its natural home is on 21 across
26 Not quite the time for black-out, but near
27 Part of 1 across
28 Fish mostly a girl
30 Bird mostly upset beer
33 What many people have resort to to cover the rent
35 Give back a lighter idea of second contest (two words)
36 A relative
37 This is often used to make a chicken run (two words)

DOWN

2 Arise transformed
3 Most of this crop is warming
4 Vessel often cast away
5 On 4 down there may be more than two hands on it
6 Source of one of those war reports, perhaps
7 Man in this is at the height of his powers, presumably (three words)
8 What the strife-torn world would like to do—but living (three words)
12 Useful to those who make sketches on cruises, if there's paper on board (two words)
13 In unison (two words)
14 What to do on fast days?
15 Sailors don't have to do it for tacking
16 If you want a chop, try this
20 One thing besides honey we can get from bees
24 Advice to those who don't know
25 This cap is not worn on the head
28 A little creature with no amiable reputation
29 Interval of end of 8 down veracious about many
31 This kind of joint does not usually remain whole for long
32 Graduate examine for something to eat
34 Part of the coronation ceremony, formerly

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Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
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Dairiku M.	Japan	—
Hailung	Hsinkong	Tung Hai
Peihua	Hankow	K.U.K.
Annam	Japan	E. Asiatic
Chingning M	Tsungming	T.K.K.
Hungyum M.	T'lungkong	Chu Foong
Hukoku M.	Newchwang	Showa S.S.
Hwaping	T'lungkong	Hwa Chung
Leecheng	Lungkow	D.K.K.
Whakou	Hsinkong	Kiang An
Romolo	Liuho Point	V. Chieri
Taiko M. 18	Hsinkong	T.K.K.
Liesel	T'lungkong	Chin Dah
Kiangnan	T'lungkong	Chu Foong

Yesterday's Departures

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Marblehead	Am.	—
Meinan	Am.	S.V.O.C.
Nantung M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Lipari	Ital.	Dong Shing
Pres. Coolidge	Am.	A.P.L.
Hakozaki M.	Jap.	N.Y.K.
J'ne Justesen	Dan.	K.M.A.
Goviken	Nor.	Wallem

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
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Fran. Garnier	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
Luzon	Am.	Gbt.	U.S.N.B.
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Pigeon 6	Am.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
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1940 to Be Crucial Year for Japan

Premier Appeals for Unity In Nation to Face Future; Opposition to Be Ignored

Tokyo, Jan. 1.

Greeting the new year as a most important one which would decide the trend of affairs not only in East Asia but also in the world, Gen. Nobuyuki Abe, the Premier, declared today that although the international situation was gloomy, Japan, with the co-operation of her 100,000,000 people, would achieve her goal no matter what difficulties were ahead.

In his new year statement ushering in the anniversary of the founding of the Japanese Empire, the Premier said that "with the growing gravity of the present situation the nation must brace itself more than ever and, no matter what kinds of economic restrictions may be necessary, have a deep understanding of the current state of affairs."

"The nation should give united co-operation in the execution of national policies and become the motive power for the settlement of the China incident, leaving nothing to be desired in support at the home fronts," Gen. Abe continued.

After expressing wishes for the longevity of the Emperor and the prosperity of the Imperial Household, Gen. Abe said:

Decisive Year Opens

"This new year is a very important one in that it will decide the trend of affairs not only in East Asia but also in the world. It will see concrete strides toward the realization of a new order in East Asia in the establishment of a new central régime in China, which will come into being for the rebirth of China and her co-operation with Japan and Manchoukuo.

"Though the China incident has entered the main stage of reconstruction, this does not mean its end. It is an urgent necessity for the Japanese nation to reinforce its determination to deal with the incident so as to crush anti-Japanese influences, guarantee maintenance of peace and order in the new China, and assist her in her reconstruction work.

"When we glance at the trend of affairs of the world we see that the progress of the European war has brought about a complication of international relations, and the possible effects upon East Asia of the international policies of the Powers do not permit of too much optimism.

"However, under the Imperial prestige and with the national policies firmly established, the loyalty of the officers and men of the Japanese forces and the unity and co-operation of one hundred million people certainly will be able to break through whatever difficulties there may be."

Opposition Ignored

Gen. Nobuyuki Abe today informed his Cabinet that he intended to ignore the agitation against his Government launched last week by 250 members of the Lower House.

Reaffirming his determination to face the Diet when it reconvenes on January 20 on the basis of his present policies, the Prime Minister was reported to have said that he felt that to take seriously the non-confidence resolution passed at a private meeting by the dissenting members of the Lower House would "create a bad precedent."

He also indicated that he would confer at length with the leaders of the five political parties before the Diet reconvenes, to obtain their support. The non-confidence resolution cut through party lines and was regarded by some observers as indicating a disavowal of their own party leaders by members who had voted in its favour.—Domei.

Objectives Unchanged

Tokyo, Jan. 2.

Japan's objective of establishing a new order in East Asia would be carried out regardless of the outcome of the European war, Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura, Foreign Minister, declared in a New Year's message.

The Japanese nation, he stated, was engaged in "a mission without parallel in its history."

"The influence of the régime of Gen. Chiang Kai-shek," Admiral Nomura declared, "has been driven away from the centres of industry and communication in China, while its main supply routes have been cut off, thus causing grave difficulties in its resistance against Japan. The decline of the Chungking Government has been made clear by the internal conflict in its midst between the rightists and the Communists.

"With the favourable development of Japanese military operations in China," Admiral Nomura continued, "some quarters harboured the misgiving that Japan desired exclusive rights there in spite of reiterated Japanese statements in connection with foreign interests and rights in China.

"That Japan decided to reopen the Yangtze as far as Nanking and the Pearl River should clear away such a misgiving. It will be effective in readjusting Japan's relations with Third Powers, as Japan's real intention to welcome foreign co-operation has been clarified."—Domei.

Hitler's Victory Seen As German Defeat

Former German Official Gives His Opinion

New York, Jan. 2.

Mr. Ernst Meyer, who was Counsellor of the German Embassy in Washington until 1937, in a letter to the "New York Times" writes: "Hitler's victory would be both defeat for Germany and defeat for Europe. It would mean the greatest tragedy for the German nation. Then, 80,000,000 Germans in the centre of Europe would develop like a tumour in the whole European body, finally affecting all Europe and all her present political, economic and religious conditions."—Reuter.

Boy Tells of New Year Murder of Parents

Hugo, Oklahoma, Jan. 2.

An eight-year-old farm boy, Glenn Rogers, told officers here yesterday how a quiet New Year Eve at his tiny home in the wooded Kiamichi Mountain country had been turned into a night of horror by two men who killed his father, mother and little brother and burned their home.—United Press.

300 Australian Airmen To Be Sent This Year

The Second A.I.F.; Australian Army Planes; Aircraft Arsenal; New Aeroplanes in Australia

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Melbourne, Jan. 3.

THREE thousand more Australian airmen would go abroad this year, said Mr. Fairbairn, Minister of Air, in an interview on his return from attending the Empire Air Training Conference in Canada. Members of the Australian air force abroad, he added, would be grouped into squadrons with Australian commanders, and members of the Royal Air Force would go to Australia for an exchange of duty. Mr. Fairbairn appealed to young Australians to enlist, and not to be disheartened if they were not called up immediately, adding: "There is an awful lot of tripe talked about Germany cracking up. She won't until we exert full pressure."—Reuter.

Also writing from Melbourne a correspondent to "The Times" states:—

The recruiting of the Second Australian Imperial Force, the Sixth Division, enlisted for service at home or abroad, is now complete. It has been a longer business than was expected. Not till several weeks after Mr. Menzies, the Prime Minister, had announced the Government decision to raise the force did recruiting begin. Meanwhile hundreds of young men eager to enlist had been turned away without any precise indication when their services would be acceptable, and many sought and found other occupation. The inability of the Government to promise unequivocally that the force would go oversea proved another deterrent. Men were not greatly attracted by the prospect of being pent up in camp in Australia for the duration of the war. They were reluctant to give their whole time to soldiering if no more was to be required of them than they could give by service in the Militia. It had been expected that 60 per cent. of the militiamen would volunteer for the A.I.F. It was, in fact, in the Militia quota that enlistments fell short.

The shortage, however, was soon made good by several measures. One was the promise by Mr. Menzies that when the training of the Second A.I.F. had been completed it would be sent oversea, if its dispatch were at all practicable and expedient. Another was a vigorous recruiting drive in city and country alike. Third came the termination of the first of the two stages of intensive Militia training. A large proportion of the last recruits was composed of militiamen fresh from their month in camp. While in training they had been reluctant to desert their units and give up their regimental badges. Discharged from camp, they had no wish to return to civil life and so saw the appeal of the Second A.I.F. in a more favourable light.

The First Drafts

With the "slimming" of divisional formations, according to new military practice, the final establishment of the Second A.I.F. will be nearer 15,000 than 18,000, leaving a surplus of men for reinforcements and for the nucleus of another division, should it be decided to raise one. As yet no such decision has been taken. Now that the Sixth Division is complete, reinforcements are to be called for, on the basis of 600 men for each of the infantry brigades and 10 per cent. or some other percentage for other formations; and these reinforcements will be trained with the division, so that vacancies caused by sickness or other casualties may be filled at once with trained men. Recruiting will continue.

The first drafts of men from South Australia, Western Australia, and Tasmania have gone into camp at Ingleburn (N.S.W.), and large detachments from these three States and from Queensland are being drafted into a new camp at Greta, near Newcastle (N.S.W.), to form the 18th infantry brigade of units from States other than New South Wales and Victoria. Though the New South Wales and Victorian infantry brigades have been assembled at Ingleburn and Puckapunyal (Victoria) respectively earlier than the troops from other States, the latter have proceeded with intensive training and when the full brigade is concentrated at Greta it will soon be brought to the same pitch of efficiency as the others. Training of the mechanized reconnaissance regiment, the divisional artillery, and ancillary troops will proceed along parallel lines, and the whole programme will be developed until training on a divisional scale is practicable. By April training will have reached an advanced stage and the Government will have to decide, in the light of then existing circumstances, whether the Second A.I.F. shall go abroad.

Civil Air Reserve

The Minister for the Army, Brigadier Street, estimates that by the end of June 100,000 men will have received intensive training. Between 10,000 and 12,000 of those in the 21-year age group, to be called up compulsorily, will probably be in camp before the end of January. They will represent about half the total number eligible for compulsory enlistment for three months' training. When they have completed their training, the other half will be sent into camp. Three months' training for the voluntarily enlisted Militia, which has already undergone one month, will also begin in January, when half the Militia will enter camp, making with the compulsorily enlisted men a total under canvas of between 35,000 and 40,000 men. The second section of the volunteer militia will go into camp early in April with the rest of the compulsory trainees, bringing the number trained to 70,000 or 80,000; and the Second A.I.F. accounts for the rest of the 10,000.

Youths eligible for compulsory training—namely, all single men who become 21 in the 12 months ended June 30, 1940—will be required to fill in registration cards and to send them to officers commanding training areas. They will be called up for medical examination, and, if fit, drafted into the Militia units nearest their homes. Men within the age-group who have married since the Prime Minister announced the revival of compulsory training will not be exempt. It has been estimated that there are about 60,000 youths in the 21-year age group, but this number will be considerably reduced by reserved occupations, physical unfitness, and those already voluntarily enlisted. Probably the number drafted into camp will be nearer 25,000; about as many as are required to fill gaps in the Militia occasioned by enlistments in the Second A.I.F., exemptions because of hardship, and other transfers. Preparations are also being made to recruit men for the Empire air training scheme. About 4,000 potential volunteers are already enlisted in the Civil Air Reserve, the organization of which was suspended on the outbreak of war and which will be incorporated in the Empire scheme. More than 2,000 other recruits have been medically examined and tested for trade qualifications.

Aeroplane Factories

Between 8,000 and 10,000 men will probably be engaged in the manufacture of aircraft by 1941, when the Government plans will have matured. These plans involve an expenditure of about £A.3,270,000 during the next two years, and possibly as much as £A.6,000,000 in the next six years, not including the cost of factory buildings and equipment. Contracts about to be signed involve expenditure of £A.800,000 on Wirraway second-line fighters, £A.300,000 on North American trainers adapted to Australian conditions by the Commonwealth Aircraft Corporation, £A.525,000 on Tiger Moth biplane trainers, and £A.45,000 on Moth Minor low-wing trainers. The new factory for the manufacture of twin-row Pratt and Whitney Wasp engines for the Bristol Beauforts will be built by the Government in Sydney, where it is considered the supply of skilled labour is better than elsewhere. The De Havilland Aircraft Company's factory at Mascot, Sydney, trainers ordered, and when properly tooled-up it is expected to be capable of a production of a machine a day. The first Moth Minor will soon be completed, and the new De Havilland propeller works will shortly begin to turn out the first of the 100 propellers ordered by the Government. They will be suitable to Bristol Beauforts, reconnaissance types, and fighters.

Japan Airways Orders New Aeroplanes

Twin-motored Machines To Extend Service

Tokyo, Jan. 3.

A fleet of twin-motored aeroplanes, equipped with 850 horsepower engines, has been ordered by the Japan Airways Company, it was announced here today. The planes will be constructed by the Mitsubishi Heavy Industry Company and will be completed within two years.

Several of the planes will be used on the Japan-Thailand service which is expected to be established next month. The other planes will be used on routes between Japan, Manchoukuo and China.

The new planes will accommodate eleven passengers and a crew of four persons and will travel at a speed of 300 kilometres an hour.

When the planes are completed the Peiping-Tokyo run will be made in eight hours. The trip now takes eleven hours. The planes will also be able to negotiate the Japan-Manchoukuo-China run without refuelling.—Domei.

New Swedish Foreign Minister Broadcasts

Finnish Fight for Freedom Warmly Praised

Stockholm, Jan. 2.

"Some States believed they could suppress the right of small States to exist independently, but Finland is awakening the world's conscience," the new Swedish Foreign Minister, Hr. Gunther, declared in a New Year's Day radio address.

"At the beginning of the new year," he added, "our first thought is of Sweden's destiny. We are facing a threat of unknown magnitude to everything that we hold dear but our people are alive with the unshakable will to preserve their right to self-determination," he concluded.—Havas.

Child Born with Exposed Heart, Liver Dies

Manila, Jan. 2.

A boy was prematurely born in Batangas Province, last night with his heart and liver exposed and an aperture on the left side of his body through which his stomach was visible, according to reports in "La Vanguardia" today. The baby died four hours after birth.

The mother of the child, Brigidia Barot Magpantay, who is 20 years old and in extremely good physical condition, said that she felt abdominal pains since the beginning of her pregnancy.

The first known baby born in the Philippines with an exposed heart was the child of Maria Corazon Rafael. The baby, who also died a short while after birth, was born in Manila only a few months ago.—United Press.

Demented Chinese Finds Tear-Gas Harmless

Manila, Jan. 2.

Go Hoc, demented Chinese resident of the San Nicolas district, proved his apparent immunity to tear-gas when a police squad sought to arrest him after he had threatened his family with a huge knife.

Go had been interned in the Government's psychopathic hospital several times in the past but was recently pronounced cured and was released.

Defying the police, Go sat in a locked room armed with his knife and refused to open the door despite repeated tear-gas attacks. The police, with tears streaming from their eyes, finally crashed the door down with axes and found Go sitting in a corner, apparently unperturbed by the gas. He surrendered quietly and was taken to the psychopathic ward again.—United Press.

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